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ANDREW J. CHANDLER

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TREASURER

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

ROAD COMMISSIONER

CHARLES E. RICHARDS

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SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

LORRIMER M. SCHMIDT, M. D. JAMES W. DAVIS

ELIZABETH M. STARBIRD

HEALTH OFFICER

L. M. SCHMIDT, M. D.

SEXTON

G. E. MARDEN

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

STANLEY H. ALLEN

FIRE CHIEF

RAYMOND D. NORRIS

TRUANT OFFICER

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

COLLECTOR OF EXCISE TAXES

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

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SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Town Officers	$ 850 00
Town Charges	400 00
Winter Roads	1,500 00
Town Poor	300 00
Highways	1,500 00
Abatements	2,500 00
Street Lights	828 00
Hydrants	453 60
Memorial Day	25 00
Interest	400 00
Collection of Taxes	300 00
Section 18 Road	50 00
Defense (Civilian)	250 00

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

To Hervey B. Jennings, Constable of Strong, County of Franklin:
GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said town on Monday, March 2, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1 — To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2 — To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3 — To hear reports and to allow accounts.

ART. 4 — To choose the town officers required by law to be elected annually in March, viz: 3 selectmen, 3 assessors, 3 overseers of the poor, treasurer, one or more members of the superintending school committee, tax collector and fire warden.

ART. 5 — To see if the town will elect or instruct its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner.

ART. 6 — To see when the taxes shall be collected and made payable.

ART. 7 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of four thousand one hundred dollars ($4,100) for the support of free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. 8 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of three thousand nine hundred dollars ($3,900) for the support of the common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 9 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) for the purchase of text books for the ensuing year.

Art. 10 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) for the purchase of school supplies for the ensuing year.

Art. 11 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) for repairs on the school house for the ensuing year.

Art. 12 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13 — To see if the town will raise money to pay interest on the temporary loans.

Art. 14 — To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of town poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 15 — To raise money for town officers' bills.

Art. 16 — To see what sum of money the town will raise for the abatement of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 17 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 18 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the maintenance of summer roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 19 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of twenty-five dollars ($25) to be expended under the direction of Fred L. Johnson Post No. 76 for the proper observance of Memorial day.

Art. 20 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library.

Art. 21 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the rent of hydrants.

Art. 22 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for street lights.

Art. 23 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the breaking of winter roads in 1942 and 1943.

Art. 24 — To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to make a temporary loan, if necessary, to meet the liabilities of the town until the money can be realized from the assessments of the 1942 taxes.

Art. 25 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of five hundred dollars ($500) to be expended for gravel as permanent repairs on highways outside of State Aid and Third Class roads, to be used by the road commissioner where he deems it necessary.

Art. 26 — To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) for the support of the Fire Department.

Art. 27 — To see what sum of money the town will raise to pay off loans.

Art. 28 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Sec. 19, Chap. 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chap. 229 of the Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 29 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of three hundred ten dollars ($310) for the maintenance of improved section of Third Class roads under Secs. 43 to 47, Chap. 28, Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 30 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of six hundred seventy-three dollars ($673) (6.73 miles at $100 per mile) for the maintenance of and snow removal work on State Highway as provided in Sec. 9 of the Revised Statutes of 1935.

Art. 31 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) for the State Aid Patrol.

Art. 32 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of six hundred twenty-one dollars and twenty-six cents ($621.26), the balance due on the tractor.

Art. 33 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) for cutting bushes on town roads.

Art. 34 — To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the school physician.

Art. 35 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50) for the maintenance of Sec. 18 road.

Art. 36 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of twenty dollars ($20) to transport members of the Three Quarter Century Club to their annual field day.

Art. 37 — To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen, on behalf of the town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 38 — To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) to purchase the property of the Est. of Robert G. Stubbs described on the town records as the Fairgrounds and land adjacent thereto, for a new school site.

Art. 39 — To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) for civilian defense, of which one hundred fifty dollars ($150) shall be expended by the chief air raid warden for supplies and other necessary expense. Balance to be expended by the town coordinator.

Art. 40 — To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 15, 1941.

NEIL G. LUCE,
RALPH H. STARBIRD,
ANDREW J. CHANDLER,

Selectmen of Strong.

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong:

We hereby submit a report of the receipts and expenditures, together with a statement of the valuation, assets and liabilities of the Town of Strong for the year ending Feb. 15, 1942.

VALUATION

Real Estate, resident	$345,040 00	
Real Estate, non-resident	36,691 00	
Total Real Estate		$381,731 00
Personal Estate, resident	$137,830 00	
Personal Estate, non-resident	11,150 00	
Total Personal Estate		$148,980 00
Total Valuation		$530,711 00

No. of Polls taxed	306
No. of Polls not taxed	17

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

State Tax	$4,421 99
County Tax	1,554 24
Free High School	3,700 00
Common Schools	3,500 00
Text Books	400 00
School Supplies	400 00
Repairs on Schools	200 00

Town Charges	$ 500 00	
Interest	400 00	
Poor Account	500 00	
Town Officers	1,050 00	
Abatements	2,500 00	
Collection of Taxes	300 00	
Summer Roads and Bridges	1,500 00	
Memorial Day	25 00	
Library	100 00	
Hydrants	648 00	
Street Lights	828 00	
Winter Roads	1,000 00	
Tractor	1,000 00	
Special Gravel	500 00	
Fire Dept.	400 00	
Payment on Notes	1,000 00	
State Aid Const.	533 00	
Third Class Maintenance	310 00	
State Highway Maintenance	673 00	
State Aid Patrol	200 00	
Cutting Bushes	200 00	
School Doctor	200 00	
Sect. 18 Road	50 00	
Willis Hill Road	150 00	
Three Quarter Century Club	20 00	
Overdrafts	501 32	
Total Appropriations		$29,264 55
Excise Tax		1,392 29
		$27,872 26
Overlay	$642 71	
Supplementary	58 00	
		$700 71
Total Tax		$28,572 97
306 Polls		918 00
Property Tax		$27,654 97
Rate .052		

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

	NO.		
Stock in Trade	12	$17,225 00	
Musical Instruments	58	2,965 00	
Radios	259	4,095 00	
Gasoline and Oil Tanks	16	1,750 00	
Lumber		54,575 00	
Frigidaires	123	6,345 00	
Other Property	5	44,600 00	
			$131,555 00

LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AVE. VAL.	TOTAL VAL.	
Horses	46	$104 56	$4,810 00	
Cows	248	27 68	6,835 00	
Oxen	12	65 41	785 00	
Three-year-olds	75	28 86	2,165 00	
Two-year-olds	103	20 77	2,280 00	
Sheep	1	5 00	5 00	
Poultry	585	1 00	585 00	
				$17,425 00
Total Personal Property				$148,980 00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AVE. VAL.	TOTAL VAL.	
Colt	1	$75 00	$ 75 00	
Yearlings	95	11 38	1,080 00	
Sheep, to 35 in no.	192	5 00	960 00	
Swine, to 10 in no.	46	10 86	500 00	
Poultry, to 50 in no.	1,306	1 00	1,306 00	
Total Amount				$3,921 00

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR DEPARTMENT

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Unexpended Balance	$ 49 72	
Raised in 1941	1,050 00	
		$1,099 72
Davis, J. W., First Selectman, 1940	$ 25 00	
Luce, Neil G., First Selectman, 1941	180 00	
Starbird, Ralph H., Second Selectman, 1940	135 00	
Luce, Neil G., Third Selectman, 1940	50 00	
Chandler, A. J., Third Selectman, 1941	75 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treas., 1940	50 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treas., 1941	130 00	
Norris, Raymond, Clerk, 1940	48 69	
Starbird, Elizabeth, School Committee, 1940	10 00	
Schmidt, L. M., M. D., School Committee, 1940	10 00	
Davis, J. W., School Committee, 1940	10 00	
DeCosta, T. A., Supt. of Schools, 1941	300 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treas. M. & S. Fund, 1940	5 00	
Jennings, H. B., Constable, 1940	10 00	
Marden, Grangie, Sexton, 1940	5 00	
		$1,043 69
Unexpended		$56 03

TOWN CHARGES

Unexpended Balance, 1940	$140 92	
Raised, 1941	500 00	
Other Receipts	58 35	
		$699 27
Expended		454 14
Unexpended		$245 13

FORSTER MEMORIAL BUILDING

Income from Trust Fund	$708 38	
Rental	27 00	
Raised, 1941	321 80	
		$1,057 18
Transferred from 1941 Excise Tax		231 57
		$1,288 75
Expenditures		1,288 75

BOILER REPLACEMENT

Expended	$1,020 60
Paid by Loan authorized by vote of Town	1,020 60

TRACTOR ACCOUNT

Appropriation	$1,000 00	
Receipts	617 50	
Transferred from Overlay	176 22	
Transferred from Dog Licenses	8 22	
		$1,801 94
Expended	$ 91 17	
Paid L. R. Lewis	1,710 77	
		$1,801 94

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriated	$200 00
Paid State Treasurer	208 50
Overexpended	$8 50
Taken from Overlay	8 50

STATE PATROL

Appropriated	$673 00
Paid State Treasurer	673 00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriated	$1,000 00	
Unexpended Balance	598 94	
Rec'd from other sources	709 58	
Available		$2,308 51
Expended		2,259 34
Unexpended		$49 17

BURBANK HILL ROAD

Appropriated	$150 00
Expended	150 94
Overexpended	$ 94
Transferred from Overlay	94

STARBIRD BRIDGE

Total Expenditure	$1,497 59
Paid by Loan authorized by vote of Town	1,497 59

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriated, 1941	$ 533 00	
Rec'd from State	1,066 00	
Rec'd from State (Special Resolve)	1,000 00	
Transferred from 3rd Class Construction	31 15	
Available		$2,630 15
Expended		2,640 58
Overdrawn		$10 43

THIRD CLASS CONSTRUCTION

Rec'd from State	$1,088 70
Expended	1,057 55
	$31 15
Transferred to State Aid Construction	31 15

Road Commissioner's Report

To the Citizens of Strong:

I herewith submit my report as road commissioner for the year ending Feb. 15, 1942.

The roads in Town came through the Winter and Spring in fine condition. This was due largely to the culverts and ditches being cleaned last fall in places where washouts were likely to occur.

There were 16 new culverts put in, 6 of these were metal, the other 10 being wooden. The total cost of these was $256.00.

All roads throughout town were machined during the summer except from the Knowlton place to the Stevens place. This road could be put in good condition at little cost and perhaps should be done as it is still frequently used.

The Town has two bridges that should be repaired in the spring, the one at True Luce's and the Fred McCleary bridge. The one at True Luce's should be repaired while the bridge at McCleary's will have to be rebuilt.

Special Gravel: About $200.00 was spent in early spring filling in bad places with coarse gravel to keep the roads passable until they were in condition to be worked on. This was put in places where I considered it was most needed.

The following is a list of the tools and equipment owned by the town at the present: 2 road machines, 2 drags, 1 plow, 1 gravel screen, 4 bush scythes, 3 bush clippers, 4 steel shovels, 6 spades, 4 grub hoes, 1 striking hammer, 2 drills, 4 picks, 2 sod forks, 2 hand rakes, 1 staple puller, 2 torches, 1 set 6 horse reins, 1 stone drag, 1 telephone scoop, 1 tar sprinkler, 150 lbs. spikes, 1 ox shovel and a few bridge and culvert timbers that were left over.

All other appropriations were approved by the State Supervisor.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. RICHARDS,

Road Commissioner.

SUMMER ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		$1,500 00
Expended		1,567 60
Overdrawn		$67 60
Transferred from Overlay		67 60

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	$310 00	
Unexpended 1940	13	
		$310 13
Expended		336 98
Overdrawn		$26 85
Transferred from Overlay		26 85

SPECIAL GRAVEL

Appropriation	$500 00	
Unexpended 1940	1 36	
		$501 36
Expended		493 80
Unexpended		$7 56

CUTTING BUSHES, TOWN ROADS

Appropriation	$200 00	
Unexpended 1940	88	
		$200 88
Expended		192 40
Unexpended		$8 48

50-50 ROAD ACCOUNT

Expended	$93 29
Due from State	46 64
	$46 65
Transferred from Overlay	46 65

SECTION 18 ROAD

Appropriation	$50 00	
Unexpended	10 28	
Received from State	19 36	
		$79 64
Expended	$71 60	
Transferred to State Aid Const.	19 36	
		$90 96
Overdraft		$11 32

UNIMPROVED RURAL ROADS

Received	$441 41
Expended	441 41

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Receipts		$86 00
Expenditures		90 86
Overdraft		$4 86
Due Clergy Feb. 15, 1941	$126 20	
Paid by order of Clergy	103 10	
		$23 10
½ Overdraft		2 43
Due for call of Clergy		$20 67
Due High School Feb. 15, 1941		$20 21
½ Overdraft		2 43
Due High School		$17 78

THREE QUARTER CENTURY CLUB

Appropriation	$20 00
Expended	10 60
Unexpended	$9 40

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong:

The Strong Fire Department has answered 7 general alarms and 23 silent alarms.

The greatest fire trouble we have is with bad chimneys.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. NORRIS, *Fire Chief.*

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Unexpended Balance 1941	$118 94	
Appropriation	400 00	
Receipts	10 00	
		$528 94
Expended		435 38
Unexpended		$93 56

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	$828 00
Expended	828 00

HYDRANTS

Appropriation	$648 00
Expended	583 20
Unexpended	$64 80

CARE OF TOWN DUMP

Unexpended 1941	$13 71
Expended	24 90
Over expended	$11 19
Transferred from Overlay	11 19

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated	$25 00
Expended	25 00

CEMETERY CARE

Unexpended	$18 21	
Receipts	54 00	
Available		$72 21
Expended		30 00
Unexpended		$42 21

TOWN POOR

Unexpended	$111 24	
Appropriated	500 00	
		$611 24
Paid David Lawry (vagrants)	$ 3 85	
Lizzie Ford (vagrants)	4 00	
Anna Norton (vagrants)	2 00	
Town of Wilton (Willie Huff)	277 16	
Town of Island Falls (Kelsey Lawton)	15 00	
L. M. Schmidt, M. D. (Mildred Chadbourne)	25 00	
		$327 01
Unexpended		$284 23

STATE POOR

Expended 1941	$1,406 03	
Due from State 1940	238 58	
		$1,644 61
Rec'd from State		915 01
Due from State		$729 60

OTHER TOWNS POOR

Overdraft Feb. 15, 1941	$333 53	
Expended	36 70	
		$370 23

Received from Readfield	$ 29 05	
Transferred from 1941 Excise Tax	213 72	
Transferred from Supplementary	58 00	
Transferred from Dog Licenses	61 81	
		$362 58
Due from Other Towns		$7 65

EDGAR WALKER ACCT.

Total amount due	$65 00
Received	65 00

INTEREST

Unexpended	$146 06	
Appropriated	400 00	
Other Receipts	2 42	
		$548 48
Expended		409 57
Unexpended		$138 91

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Unexpended Feb. 15, 1941	$323 76	
Transferred from Excise Tax	04	
		$323 80
Expended		323 80

SCHOOL HOUSE INSURANCE

Unexpended Feb. 15, 1941	$84 37
Expended	84 25
Unexpended	$ 12

EXCISE TAX

Unexpended Feb. 15, 1941	$ 594 09	
Receipts	1,345 75	
		$1,939 84

1941 Commitment	$1,392 29	
Transferred to Old Age Assistance	04	
Transferred to Other Towns Poor	213 72	
Transferred to Forster Building	231 57	
		$1,939 84

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Appropriation	$200 00	
Receipts	180 52	
		$380 52
Expended		366 78
Unexpended		$13 74

OVERLAY

	$642 71	
Received Willard Curtis	78 42	
		$721 11
Expended	$383 16	
Transferred to Roads and Bridges	67 60	
Transferred to Burbank Hill Road	94	
Transferred to 3rd Class Maint.	26 85	
Transferred to 50-50 Road Acct.	46 65	
Transferred to State Aid Patrol	8 50	
Transferred to Town Dump	11 19	
Transferred to Tractor Acct.	176 22	
		$721 11

DOG LICENSES

Receipts		$214 83
Paid State Treasurer	$144 80	
Transferred to Other Towns Poor	61 81	
Transferred to Tractor Acct.	8 22	
		$214 83

SUPPLEMENTARY TAX

Received	$58 00
Transferred to Other Towns Poor	58 00

ABATEMENTS

Unexpended	$ 283 48	
Appropriation	2,500 00	
		$2,783 48
Expended		2,141 03
Unexpended		$642 45

NOTES PAYABLE FEB. 15, 1941

E. L. Kingsley	$3,000 00	
F. A. Richardson	1,105 57	
L. R. Lewis	1,000 00	
L. R. Lewis (tractor)	2,332 03	
		$7,437 60
F. A. Richardson (paid on note)	$1,105 57	
L. R. Lewis (paid on tractor)	1,710 77	
		$2,816 34
Total due Feb. 15, 1942		$4,621 26

OTHER PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

School House	$20,000 00	
School Property	2,500 00	
Fire House, Truck, Hose, etc.	3,800 00	
Safe	200 00	
Road Machines	250 00	
Forster Memorial Bldg.	30,000 00	
Endowment Fund	20,000 00	
Tractor and Plow	3,000 00	
		$79,750 00

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Unexpended	$ 18 94	
Appropriated	300 00	
		$318 94
Paid H. B. Jennings (Collector)		286 46
Unexpended		$32 48

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1941

Commitment		$29,907 26
Excise Tax to April 1 applied		1,392 29
		$28,514 97
Supplementary Tax		49 00
		$28,563 97
Paid Treasurer	$25,846 49	
Abatements	2,136 08	
Uncollected 1941	581 40	
		$28,563 97
Allen, Nora S.	$ 52 26	
Bishop, H. M.	6 12	
Lane, Lois	33 80	
Ladd, Philip	3 00	
Ladd, Emma	198 12	
Ladd, Alton	18 98	
McNally, Ruth, Est.	62 40	
Neil, Marquis	46 80	
Wood, Alfred	19 90	
Wilbur, Dean	3 52	
Daggett, Adeline, Heirs of	72 80	
Spaulding, F. H., Heirs	20 80	
Webber, Evan C.	42 90	
		$581 40

UNCOLLECTED TAXES 1940

Bishop, H. M.	$23 80	
Ernst, Percy	3 78	
		$27 58

UNCOLLECTED TAXES 1939

Bishop, H. M.	$11 68

ABATEMENTS 1941

Allen, John M., paid in Bryants Pond	$ 3 00	
Baker, Merchant, error	3 52	
Cook, Ralph W., paid in Farmington	3 00	
Hewey, Robert, error	52	
Kennedy, Roger, paid in Industry	3 00	
Moore, Robert, paid in Freeman Township	3 78	
Plummer, Robert, adjustment	26	
Pollard, Edwin, paid in Old Town	3 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., vote of town	2,110 00	
Wheeler, Perley, minor	3 00	
Richards, John K., paid in Farmington	3 00	
		$2,136 08

ABATEMENTS 1940

Johnson, Samuel, paid in Temple	$3 00	
Wallace, Linwood, adjustment	1 95	
		$4 95
Total Abatements		$2,141 03

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1941 TO FEB. 15, 1942

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1941	$4,730 29
Received from State Treasurer:	
Poor account, Freeman	915 01
Bank stock tax	10 44
Dog license refund	70 03
R. R. and Tel. tax	29 84
School fund	1,437 31
Tuition, Freeman	1,017 33
Highway account	
Rural Roads	441 41
State Highway Snow	701 97
State Aid	19 36
State Aid	2,066 00
Third Class Construction	437 63
State Patrol	403 80
State Aid Patrol	208 50
Bounties	38 25
Library stipend	10 00
Received from:	
State, for Town of Avon, tuition	153 96
Gordon Higgins for books	14 40
Town of Avon, tuition	483 79
Ministerial and School fund	22 00
Rent of Hitchcock house	86 00
R. D. Norris, Town Clerk, dog licenses	144 80
James Lambert, refund on bill	1 00
Hazel Rounds, Tel. share	10 00
Willard Curtis, applying tar	78 40
Sale of cemetery lots	54 00
Rent of Forster Building	27 00
Dividends Forster Building	708 38

Peoples National Bank, temporary loans	$ 4,000 00	
Hervey R. Welch, temporary loan	2,000 00	
Edgar Walker account	65 00	
Clifton Chadbourne, refund on expenses	7 60	
Edgar Walker, interest	2 31	
Augusta Savings Bank, interest	11	
David Lawry, license	1 00	
Tractor hire	617 50	
Tax deeds 1936	75 00	
Tax liens 1938	41 00	
Tax liens 1939	280 25	
Tax liens 1940	98 80	
Costs	17 07	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax 1941	1,345 75	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax 1942	397 46	
H. B. Jennings, 1940 Tax liens	442 26	
H. B. Jennings, 1940-41 Abatements	2,141 03	
H. B. Jennings, 1940 Taxes	217 19	
H. B. Jennings, 1941 Taxes	25,846 49	
Hervey R. Welch, loan for Starbird bridge and Forster Bldg. boiler	2,100 00	
Peoples National, loan for Starbird bridge	418 19	
Town of Readfield, other towns poor	29 05	
		$54,463 96
Orders Paid:		
Town Orders	$43,659 92	
State Tax	4,421 99	
County Tax	1,554 24	
State Treasurer, dog licenses	144 80	
State Treasurer, retirement fund	201 66	
		$49,982 61
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1942		4,481 35
		$54,463 96

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Feb. 15, 1942

	DEBITS		CREDITS
Cash	$2,202 17	Reserve	$2,202 17

BABBITT TRUST FUND

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Cash	100 00	100 00

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ASS'N FUND

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Cash	91 90	91 90

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Treasurer.*

MILLETT, FISH, DRESSER & ADAM

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS

PORTLAND, MAINE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Strong:

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector, and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1942 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorizations. In our opinion the appended comparative balance sheet fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1942. A detailed report is being submitted to your municipal officers.

MILLETT, FISH, DRESSER & ADAM

By R. M. MILLETT, *C. P. A.*

February 16, 1942.

TOWN OF STRONG
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1941		February 15, 1942	
Cash		$4,730 29		$4,481 35
Cash on Deposit with State				100 00
Uncollected Taxes:				
1941 Taxes			$581 40	
1940 Taxes	$682 98		27 58	
1939 Taxes	11 68		11 68	
		694 66		620 66

Tax Deeds:				
1938	$ 26 95		$ 26 95	
1937	29 03		29 03	
1936	141 00		66 00	
Prior Years	43 60		43 60	
		$ 240 58		$ 165 58
Tax Liens:				
1940			$343 46	
1939	$327 45		47 20	
1938	41 00			
		368 45		390 66
Accounts Receivable:				
High School Assoc'n	$ 57 00		$ 57 00	
State — Bounties	42 25		4 00	
Edgar Walker	65 00			
Town of Avon — Tuition	442 60		108 03	
Town of Freeman — Tuition	461 80		890 50	
Out of Town Poor	333 53		7 65	
State — Highway Dept.			87 80	
State Poor	238 58		729 60	
		1,640 76		1,884 58
Deferred Appropriations and Overdrafts:				
Starbird Bridge			$1,497 59	
Forster Bldg. Boiler			1,020 60	
Common Schools and High Schools	$376 35		366 75	
Forster Building	321 80			
School Repairs	179 52			
		877 67		2,884 94
Total Assets		$8,552 41		$10,527 77

LIABILITIES

	February 15, 1941		February 15, 1942	
Notes Payable		$7,437 60		$7,139 45
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes	$594 09		$397 46	
Old Age Assistance	323 76			
		917 85		397 46
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations:				
Town Officers	$ 49 72		$ 56 03	
Town Charges	140 92		245 13	
Collection of Taxes	18 94		32 48	
Abatements	283 48		642 45	
Fire Department	118 94		93 56	
Hydrants			64 80	
Winter Roads	598 94		49 17	
Gravel — Special	1 36		7 56	
Cutting Bushes	88		8 48	
Town Poor	111 24		284 23	
School Repairs			13 74	
Schoolhouse Insurance	84 37		12	
Hitchcock House	146 41		38 45	
Three Quarter Century Club			9 40	
Care of Cemeteries	18 21		42 21	
General Interest	146 06		138 91	
Care of Dump	13 71			
Third Class Road Maintenance	13			
Section 18 Road	10 28			
		1,743 59		1,726 72
		$10,099 04		$9,263 63
General Fund Surplus *(Deficit)*		*1,545 63*		1,264 14
		$8,552 41		$10,527 77

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	February 15, 1941	February 15, 1942
Trust Funds:		
Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery	$3,430 01	$3,950 70
Church — Hitchcock	202 40	204 46
Church Interest	82 35	91 90
Church Babbitt	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	2,200 60	2,202 17
	$6,015 36	$6,549 23

LIABILITIES

Trust Funds:		
Principal	$6,015 36	$6,549 23

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1941.

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. M. E. CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$101 70	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 03	
			$103 73
Oct. 1, 1941	Paid M. E. Church		1 50
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$102 23

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$101 70	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 03	
			$103 73
Oct. 1, 1941	Paid Congregational Church		1 50
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$102 23

E. K. HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$114 05	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 29	
			$116 34
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$113 34

TOWN OF STRONG CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$102 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 05	
			$104 05
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Driveways		4 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 05

JULIA H. MAY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$148 69	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 98	
			$151 67
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$148 67

FLORENCE RANGER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$111 92	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 24	
			$114 16
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$111 16

GEORGE HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$790 68	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	15 88	
			$806 56
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended for seed, fertilizer and labor		10 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$796 56

HUNTER AND BLITHEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$110 61	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 18	
			$112 79
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$106 79

DAGGETT BROS. CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$295 58	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	5 93	
			$301 51
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$295 51

CHARLES A. GOLDSMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$111 96	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 21	
			$114 17
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$108 17

ANNA BATES HUNTER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$111 33	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 20	
			$113 53
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$107 53

FREDERICK E. HARDY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 47	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 48
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 48

MISS THAYAS F. WILL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 25	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 26
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 26

DORA A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

LUCY M. SWEET CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 48	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 49
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 49

FRED A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$50 16	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	1 00	
			$51 16
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$50 16

SAMUEL PHILBRICK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$75 81	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	1 51	
			$77 32
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$75 32

GEORGE H. ALLEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

LEMUEL AND THURZA CROSBY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

WILLIAM I. SMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

MRS. ISABELLE N. TOOTHAKER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 03	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 04
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 04

EMMA AND FLORA DODGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$103 32	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 07	
			$105 39
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$101 39

LIZZIE A. WAITE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 10	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 11
Oct. 1 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 11

GILMAN CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$102 57	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 05	
			$104 62
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 62

GEORGE DAGGETT CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

GEORGE M. D. WILL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	2 01	
			$102 01
Oct. 1 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 01

VINING AND CATES CEMETERY FUND

Nov. 1, 1940	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	1 83	
			$101 83
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 83

NELLIE F. DYER CEMETERY FUND

Feb. 27, 1941	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	1 19	
			$101 19
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$100 19

RENA B. JOHNSON CEMETERY FUND

Mar. 19, 1941	Balance	$300 00	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	3 20	
			$303 20
Oct. 1, 1941	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$300 20

ELLEN E. SPAULDING CEMETERY FUND

June 9, 1941	Balance	$131 96	
Oct. 1, 1941	Int.	81	
Oct. 1, 1941	Balance		$132 77

The above accounts are on deposit with the Maine Savings Bank at Portland, Maine; each account on a separate bank book.

The total balance Oct. 1, 1941 $4,155 16

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS,

By the Trustees,

J. E. Winslow, *President,*

Diah Sweet,

H. B. Daggett, *Sec. and Treas.*

Strong School Department

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1942

Resources			
Appropriated		$8,000 00	
State School Fund		1,437 31	
Ministerial & School Fund		22 00	
Received from Books		14 00	
Freeman (State)	$1,017 33		
Avon (Int. Inc.)	637 75		
	$1,655 08		
Previously Credited	904 40		
		750 68	
Tuition Accrued			
Freeman	$890 50		
Avon	108 03		
Total Receipts		998 53	
			$11,222 52
Expenditures			
Teachers (Common School)		$3,488 77	
Teachers (High School)		3,361 28	
Fuel		726 75	
Janitors		720 83	
Conveyance		1,924 52	
Textbooks		528 72	
Supplies		462 45	
			$11,213 32
Unexpended (1942)			$ 9 20
Overdrawn (1941)			376 35
Overdrawn Balance			367 15

Repairs

Appropriation	$200 00	
Refund	1 00	
	$201 00	
Expended	187 26	
Unexpended Balance		$13 74

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, Common School

Burton Curtis	$866 00	
Ruth Morey	648 00	
Jane Curtis	398 00	
Elizabeth Johnson	306 00	
Faye Starbird	342 00	
Arlene Curtis	631 00	
Henry Richardson	98 00	
Otho Knowles	195 00	
Mollie Davis	4 77	
		$3,488 77

Teachers, High School

Gordon Higgins	$1,558 46	
Edith Kennard	976 41	
Frances Clay	826 41	
		$3,361 28

Fuel

S. J. Luce Coal Co.	$ 33 13	
F. H. Daggett & Son	690 12	
Strong Wood Turning Corp.	3 50	
		$726 75

Janitors

Jessee Phillips	$648 00
Martin Stevens	32 40
Margaret Hunter	9 80

Esther Winters	$ 6 30	
Maude Hillier	9 98	
Iola Lake	10 15	
Arzena Lake	4 20	
		$720 83

CONVEYANCE

Harvey Libby	$460 50	
Bertha Hunter	360 00	
Clarence Mitchell	216 00	
Ervin Hinkley	318 00	
Dean Wilbur	186 00	
Leon Pillsbury	91 00	
Irwin Toothaker	55 00	
C. L. Knapp	71 80	
Clyde Durrell	52 50	
Percy Cook	19 06	
Anna Norton	4 00	
Robert McLeary	90 16	
		$1,924 52

TEXTBOOKS

Webster Publishing Co.	$40 00
American Book Co.	19 03
Educational Guild of N. E.	14 53
Ginn & Co.	95 48
Scott, Foresman & Co.	34 61
Lyons & Caarnahan	17 38
R. W. Wagner & Co.	29 50
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	50
Silver Burdett Co.	31 79
Beckley-Cardy Co.	9 88
University of Maine	3 00
D. C. Heath & Co.	39 73
Allyn and Bacon	92 85
The John C. Winston Co.	33 11
News Map of the Week Inc.	15 00
The Macmillan Co.	2 01
The Geographical Publishing Co.	4 00
Edward E. Babb & Co.	7 52
Pacific Press Publishing Co.	4 85

O. H. Toothaker	$12 10	
The Odyssey Press Inc.	4 50	
The Thrift Press	1 06	
Noble & Noble Publishers Inc.	7 98	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	2 88	
Gordon Higgins	5 00	
Maine Public Health Assn.	43	
		$528 72

SUPPLIES

Maine Consolidated Power Co.	$116 45	
Remington Rand Inc.	9 09	
Phillips Paper Co.	17 83	
Phillips Ribbon & Carbon Co.	1 00	
R. H. Trecartin	3 82	
Educational Test Bureau	3 17	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	24 73	
Burton Curtis	14 73	
Milton Bradley Co.	43 76	
Geographical Publishing Co.	4 58	
M. R. Neil	75	
Arlene Curtis	1 40	
J. L. Hammett Co.	55 25	
Loring, Short & Harmon	25 89	
Gledhill Bros. Inc.	7 15	
Milton Bradley Co.	5 76	
World Book Co.	1 06	
Strong Water District	32 68	
Edward E. Babb & Co. Inc.	29 46	
Phillips Print Shop	3 00	
L. R. Lewis	2 18	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	50	
E. C. McGraw	2 18	
Farmers Telephone Company	22 15	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	20 27	
Department of Education	3 60	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	5 84	
Coe Toothaker	1 80	
The A. N. Palmer Co.	37	
Gordon Higgins	2 00	
		$462 45

REPAIRS

Appropriated		$200 00

Expenditures

Jim's Electrical Repair Shop	$11 30	
Strong Wood Turning Corp.	3 50	
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	29 55	
F. H. Daggett & Son	30 95	
The Glover Products	18 36	
West Disinfecting Co.	23 50	
C. V. Starbird Estate	2 98	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	98	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	49 73	
George A. Allen	3 00	
A. G. Eustis Estate	13 41	
		$187 26

Report of School Superintendent

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Strong:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

This is the tenth report that has been submitted to you by the present Superintendent of Schools. This will follow the outline used for former reports and will attempt to give the citizens an understanding of what we are now offering in our schools and of what school officials foresee as to needs and changes.

Such a report cannot help but be general and lacking in detail but if every citizen would visit our schools; see for themselves what we are now doing and by inspecting our school plant realize what our needs are, both from building capacity and workability we feel that the voters could much more intelligently vote at the annual town meeting for the best interest of our boys and girls.

Every citizen is urgently and cordially invited to visit our schools and we do not feel that a person can have a very thorough understanding of our possibilities or limitations unless he or she has at least made a casual inspection of our school plant.

FINANCES. Last year we asked for an increase in appropriation because of the addition of a new room to our building. The town appropriated the sum of $8,000 for school purposes and $200 for school repairs. We have been able to break even with this appropriation but have not been able to eliminate our overdraft of $367.15 accumulated during the year ending 1941.

Following is a comparison of the expenditures of this year with those of 1941:

	1941	1942
Teachers (Common School)	$3,247.00	$3,488.77
Teachers (High School)	3,131.95	3,361.28
Fuel	561.60	726.75
Janitors	750.03	720.83
Conveyance	1,718.33	1,924.52
Textbooks	496.52	528.72
Supplies	564.82	462.45

It can readily be seen that we have had an increase in common school teacher costs. The elementary teachers salary averages $18.21 per week. We have a corps of one man and four women in this department.

Our cost for high school instruction has also increased. The average weekly wage of the high school teachers is $32.80. We have one man and two women in this department.

Fuel cost us much more and conveyance was $200 more.

This was to some extent brought about by the addition to and lengthening some of our school routes and also by the use of an extra teacher, Mr. Robert McLeary. This cost of $90.00 in transportation represented the entire cost to the town for this instruction.

The only costs for the coming year that will be materially greater are under the items of elementary and secondary instruction. The purchasing power of the dollar is rapidly going down. Living costs have gone up eleven percent since the summer of 1939. Food prices have soared to nineteen percent above recent normal. Comparing the average wage of from ten to twelve million factory workers, covering the period of the past two years, statistics show an increase of thirty percent in weekly earnings. Farm products show an increase of forty-five percent. During all this time teachers salaries show an increase of considerably less than five percent. A teacher who now is receiving $20.00 per week will find that her salary check will be of no greater value than a $15.00 a week check was two years ago. Salaries will have to be increased during the coming year if we are to retain our teachers.

COMMON SCHOOLS. We now have a rather unusual enrollment in our elementary schools as follows:

8 grade	Boys	3	Girls	10	Total	13	Mr. Curtis
7 grade	"	4	"	7	"	11	Teacher
						24	
6 grade	"	6	"	13	"	19	Mrs. J. Curtis Teacher
5 grade	"	12	"	13	"	25	Mrs. Morey
4 grade	"	12	"	19	"	31	Teacher
						56	
3 grade	"	9	"	6	"	15	Mrs. Starbird
2 grade	"	19	"	7	"	26	Teacher
						41	
1 grade	"	5	"	5	"	10	Mrs. A. Curtis
Primary	"	15	"	7	"	22	Teacher
						32	

This division made an overcrowded teacher and it was impossible for one teacher to handle the load in the 4th and 5th grade room. After talking with Principal Day of the Farmington Normal School we found it possible to have a training teacher from the Normal School in this room. The cost to the town is to be the difference of what the teachers in Strong will be over what they were in Farmington plus transportation. It seems that we were very fortunate to be able to relieve this condition in this way and it is the opinion of the school officials that the instruction has not been lessened in quality and amount by this arrangement. Another year this congestion in this one room will be relieved.

HIGH SCHOOL. We have had no change during the past year in the teaching staff. We have, however, lost our courses in Vocational Guidance carried on by Mr. McLeary. It is unfortunate that we cannot offer a greater choice of courses and it would seem that our enrollment would not have dropped to such a marked degree if we had courses to accommodate boys and girls who do not care for or have the capacity to acquire the limited few that we now have to offer.

The citizens of the town of Strong have, we believe a justifiable pride in their High School. Under the skillful direction of efficient teachers our boys and girls are not only acquiring the fundamentals of education but are learning the elements that go to make happy and useful citizens of tomorrow. There is more to be learned in the good schools of today than the ability to read, write and cipher.

ACTIVITIES. We have carried out our usual program of extra-curricular activities, with the athletics for boys and girls, plays, public speaking, spelling, etc. Probably during the coming year it will be necessary for us to curtail some of these activities; those in other towns because of the difficulty of transportation but every attempt will be made to continue those that we feel are of great value by means of intra-mural competition.

In the seventh and eighth grades Mr. Curtis has had classes in building model aeroplanes. In the sixth grade Mrs. Jane Curtis has directed her pupils in publishing a school paper. The fourth and fifth grades under the direction of Mrs. Morey have built bird houses and feeding stations. In the second and third grades several units on subjects such as transportation have been carried out. In the primary and first grade under the direction of Mrs. Arlene Curtis many projects such as puppet theatres, dollhouses, grocery stores and post offices have been carried out.

These activities are not a small part of what our schools have to offer and teachers are to be commended who wholeheartedly give a great deal of their time to instruction that is not absolutely required of them by our courses of study.

It is the desire of the schools and school officials to cooperate in every way with the defense program that is now being set up. We hope to have the school house used for any meetings that are necessary. As soon as definite instructions are given to us we will make what provisions we can to safeguard our schools in case of bombing, such as providing air-raid alarms, air-raid drills, extinguishers for bombs, screens for the windows and some instructions in first aid for the older students. We have not gone ahead with this at the present because of the lack of definite plans and instructions that will no doubt soon be forthcoming from the Defense Coordinators.

We are attempting during this winter term to set up a course of religious instruction in our schools. Reverend Gerald Curtis Milliken is cooperating with the teachers and we feel that from this effort we will work out religious instruction in all of our grades that will greatly add to our present educational system. We have long felt the need of this instruction and Mr. Millikin's cooperation is appreciated and will be of benefit to the teaching of our boys and girls.

REPAIRS. For this department the town appropriated the sum of $200.00. The largest single expenditure under this fund has been for tablet arm chairs to be used in the recitation rooms of the high school. Other expenditures have been for incidental repairs that every year are necessary to the upkeep of the school.

Next year it does not seem that there should be any repairs that we can anticipate but it is always necessary to have a fund to take care of many unforseen breakdowns that are inevitable.

CONCLUSION. It is going to cost more to run our schools for the coming year. This of course is in line with all other types of business enterprises and schools certainly are a business governed by the same economic conditions. Your school officials do not anticipate any expansion of the schools. Innovations will not be made during the coming year and whatever increases are asked for are for the purpose of paying our employees a living wage taking into consideration the decided advance in living costs.

We have good schools in the town of Strong. We have well trained and experienced teachers. Recently the fourth and fifth grades under Mrs. Morey have been used for a training room and next year it is the

plan of the Farmington Normal School to use all of our elementary school rooms as training rooms for their students. This will be an excellent thing for our schools and shows that they are given a good rating at the present time.

To add a personal note to this report I am sure that every teacher will join with me in expressing an appreciation of the cooperation that has been given to us by the citizens and school officials of this town.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. DeCOSTA,

Superintendent of Schools.

Librarian's Report

Strong, Me.,
Feb. 15, 1942.

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong:

I am very glad to be able to report that the Strong Public Library has given pleasure and information to a great many adults and children of this community during the past year. 5,111 books and 562 magazines have been loaned. The magazine circulation has been increased from 359 in 1939 to 562 copies this year. New books have been purchased several times during the year. A few books have been received as gifts and are greatly appreciated.

In response to a nationwide appeal in January for books for men in the service, 220 books were collected in town by the librarian and assistants, packed and shipped to the distributing center in Portland. Through the courtesy of Mr. Carignan of the Rangeley Motor Express, the books were shipped free of charge. We were also able to do our part in the drive for used magazines in the Fall.

The library has also been of assistance to the schools again this year. For several weeks the pupils of the second and third grades have been coming to the library in groups of eight for a period of reading each Tuesday afternoon under the supervision of the librarian in connection with their class work. The results have been most satisfactory according to their teacher. As in the past a number of books have been loaned the High school students for use in making book reports. This department is to have special consideration this year.

In these trying times the need to relax and forget for a while the troubles of the world is most important to our health and morale, and, with the rationing of tires making it increasingly necessary for us to seek such relaxation at home rather than elsewhere, the library with its interesting books and magazines can be a great factor in meeting that need at very little expense to anyone. Many of you who have never visited the library should come in and see for yourselves what it contains for your enjoyment. Newcomers soon find their way to the library and are pleased to discover one so well equipped in a town of

this size. We who do the work in the library without pay give our services freely in an effort to do our part in making Strong a better place in which to live.

The price of books has risen in line with everything else but as long as you, the citizens of the town, continue to raise the money as requested in the Town Warrant, the library can and will continue to serve you and your children.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE DAGGETT.

Financial Report of Strong Public Library Association

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Receipts

1941		
Feb. 16 — Brought Forward	$ 7 90	
July 21 — From H. B. Jennings, Treas.	100 00	
Aug. 16 — State Stipend, H. B. Jennings, Treas.	10 00	
		$117 90

Disbursements

1941		
Mar. 14 — H. R. Huntting Co.	$ 4 30	
Mar. 14 — Magazine	2 00	
July 21 — Arthur Harwood	8 60	
July 22 — Arthur E. Tarbell	22 45	
Sept. 12 — H. R. Huntting Co.	2 03	
Sept. 12 — Magazines	5 00	
Oct. 24 — Magazine Renewals	4 50	
Oct. 24 — Arthur E. Tarbell	9 45	
Dec. 15 — Gaylord Brothers	1 45	
1942		
Jan. 14 — H. R. Huntting Co.	$50 98	
Jan. 26 — H. R. Huntting Co.	1 24	
Feb. 11 — Books	5 90	
		$117 90

CASH ACCOUNT

Receipts

1941			
Feb. 16	—Brought Forward	$ 3 43	
Mar. 1	— Sale of Books	6 30	
Dec. 20	— Sale of Books	3 50	
	Fines for Year	23 35	
			$36 58

Disbursements

1941			
June 12	— H. R. Huntting Co.	$3 46	
Oct. 29	— Magazine Renewals	3 50	
Oct. 10	— Books	1 00	
Nov. 1	— Books	1 17	
1942			
Jan. 10	— Postage	$2 00	
Jan. 15	— Magazines	2 00	
Jan. 27	— Magazine Renewal	1 30	
Jan. 27	— Postage	2 00	
Feb. 5	— Books	5 00	
Feb. 9	— Books	5 00	
			$26 43
Feb. 11	— Balance on Hand		$10 15

Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES — STRONG

1941

Feb. 22 — At Dixfield, Me., by Rev. Clifford J. Cross, Lloyd Parker Keniston of Strong, Me., and Joan D. Chase of Rumford, Me.

Mar. 8 — At Lewiston, Me., by Harold L. Redding, Robert Simonetti of Strong, Me., and Esther Beatrice Leeman of Lewiston, Me.

Mar. 23 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Wendell Winston White of Avon, Me., and Bertha May Phillips of Avon, Me.

Apr. 19 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Clyde Forest Wilcox of Rangeley, Me., and Thelma Arline Moody of Avon, Me.

Apr. 26 — At Auburn, Me., by John F. Stearns, Irving Vernon Ellingwood of Strong, Me., and Methyl Arline Jordan of Auburn, Me.

May 18 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald Curtis Milliken, Kenneth James Critchley of Saco, Me., and Dorothy Jane Hood of Dayton, Me.

July 29 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Frank Edwin Spencer of Strong, Me., and Hilda Esma Toothaker of Strong, Me.

Aug. 3 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Leon Warren Lane of Salem, Mass., and Hazel Elizabeth Rounds of Salem, Mass.

Sept. 27 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Floyd Warren Flag of Avon, Me., and Phyllis Gertrude Bachelder of Coplin Plt., Me.

Sept. 27 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Roger Kennedy of Industry, Me., and Anna Enman of Strong, Me.

Oct. 4 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Alfred William Presby of Avon, Me., and Elsie L. Ross of Dallas Plt., Me.

Oct. 4 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Merton Albert Presby of Avon, Me., and Rowena Julia Pillsbury of Dallas Plt., Me.

Oct. 11 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Russell Edward Roy of Bingham, Me., and Cora Lida Hinkley of Bingham, Me.

1941

Oct. 30 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Milton C. Cox of Strong, Me., and Lucille Smith Foster of Strong, Me.

Dec. 19 — At Auburn, Me., by Harold L. Redding, Clinton Virgil Starbird of Strong, Me., and Faye Edna Stinchfield of Strong, Me.

Dec. 25 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Paul Clayton Billings of Stonington, Me., and Cortna Mae Kingsley of Strong, Me.

1942

Jan. 9 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Charles Phillip Pinkham of Strong, Me., and Nellie Ella Bachelder of Strong, Me.

BIRTHS — STRONG

1940

Dec. 28 — To the wife of Everett Ralph Spencer, a son.

1941

Jan. 3 — To the wife of Leonard Colton Hutchins, a son.
Feb. 11 — To the wife of Alonzo Britte Sudsbury, a son.
Feb. 16 — To the wife of Raymond Donald Norris, a son.
Mar. 1 — To the wife of Edward Charles Brauza, a daughter.
Mar. 16 — To the wife of Dr. Lorrimer M. Schmidt, a son.
Apr. 1 — To the wife of Frank Edward Spear, a daughter.
Apr. 28 — To the wife of Dr. L. Denis Moody, a son.
May 13 — To Virginia Edith Driscoll, a daughter.
May 18 — To the wife of Neil Glendon Luce, Jr., a son.
May 23 — To the wife of Leon William Pillsbury, a daughter.
May 25 — To the wife of Wesley Burton Stinchfield, a son.
May 29 — To the wife of Lewis Nile Brackley, a daughter.
June 15 — To the wife of Leon Maurice Leavitt, a son.
June 24 — To the wife of William P. O'Donnell, a daughter.
July 13 — To the wife of Howard Henry Huff, a son.
July 15 — To the wife of Henry Stanley Allen, a son.
July 23 — To the wife of William Francis Woodside, a daughter.
Aug. 8 — To the wife of Stanley Gerald Reynolds, a son.
Aug. 9 — To the wife of Charles William Snell, a daughter.
Aug. 29 — To the wife of Francis Earle Hamlin, a son.
Sept. 4 — To the wife of Donald MacKay Williamson, a son.
Sept. 10 — To the wife of Rufus Allen Brackley, a son.
Sept. 25 — To the wife of Albert Probert, Jr., a son.
Oct. 21 — To the wife of Ernest Raymond Nickerson, a son.
Nov. 6 — To the wife of Harry Lendell Allen, a son.

1941

Nov. 16 — To the wife of Lawrence George James, a son.

Dec. 19 — To the wife of Leonard C. Hutchins, a daughter.

1942

Jan. 25 — To the wife of Clifton Leslie Chadbourne, a daughter.

BIRTHS — FREEMAN

1941

Apr. 6 — To the wife of D. Benson Huff, a daughter.

May 22 — To the wife of John Russell Kilkenny, a son.

Aug. 21 — To the wife of Frederick James Smith, Jr., a son.

Aug. 27 — To the wife of Wendell C. Marston, a daughter.

Sept. 13 — To the wife of Byron Philbrick, a daughter.

DEATHS — STRONG

1941

Jan. 3 — At Farmington, Me., Wendell Hutchins, infant.

Feb. 17 — At Farmington, Me., Ronald Belcher Hunter, aged 32 yrs., 9 mos., 21 days.

Mar. 23 — At Strong, Me., Flora Carr Toothaker, aged 74 yrs., 2 mos., 21 days.

May 12 — At Farmington, Me., Baby Boy Rodgerson, infant.

May 27 — At Farmington, Me., Wesley Burton Stinchfield, Jr., infant.

June 11 — At Farmington, Me., Nina Gladys Urquhart, aged 48 yrs., 11 mos., 3 days.

June 21 — At Norwalk, Conn., William A. Burbank, aged 31 yrs., 8 mos., 12 days.

Aug. 3 — At Farmington, Me., Herbert Samuel Worthley, Jr., aged 14 yrs., 11 mos., 22 days.

Oct. 30 — At Farmington, Me., Alfred Wayne Schmidt, aged 7 mos., 14 days.

Oct. 31 — At Rumford, Me., Althea Hunt, aged 50 yrs., 1 mo., 15 days.

Nov. 24 — At Pittston, Me., George H. Hewey, aged 66 years., 6 mos., 1 day.

Dec. 4 — At Strong, Me., Walter E. McLain, aged 64 yrs., 3 mos., 14 days.

Dec. 17 — At Kingfield, Me., Oscar Clinton Record, aged 86 yrs., 10 mos., 13 days.

1942

Jan. 8 — At Strong, Me., Clifton L. Chadbourne, aged 33 yrs., 4 mos., 7 days.

1942

Jan. 17 — At West Paris, Me., Hartson Washburn Welch, aged 64 yrs., 11 mos., 16 days.

Feb. 11 — At Strong, Me., Fred Martin Richardson, aged 79 yrs., 5 mos., 16 days.

Feb. 17 — At Strong, Me., Nellie Francis Nile, aged 70 yrs., 1 mo., 24 days.

DEATHS — FREEMAN

1941

Oct. 23 — At Farmington, Me., Alexander Sochia, aged 44 yrs., 4 mos., 12 days.

R. D. NORRIS,

Town Clerk.

Preserve This Report

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.

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ANDREW J. CHANDLER

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TREASURER

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

ROAD COMMISSIONER

CHARLES E. RICHARDS

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T. A. DeCOSTA

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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ELIZABETH M. STARBIRD

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L. D. MOODY, O. D.

SEXTONS

J. A. PHILLIPS
C. B. GILMAN

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

STANLEY H. ALLEN

FIRE CHIEF

RAYMOND D. NORRIS

TRUANT OFFICER

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

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Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

To Hervey B. Jennings, Constable of Strong, County of Franklin:
GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said Town, on Monday, March 1, 1943, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To hear reports and to allow accounts.

ART. 4. To choose the Town Officers required by law to be elected in March, viz: 3 Selectmen, 3 Assessors, 3 Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, one or more members of the Superintending School Committee, Tax Collector and Fire Warden.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will elect or instruct its Selectmen to appoint a Road Commissioner.

ART. 6. To see when the taxes shall be collected and made payable.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($4,300) four thousand and three hundred dollars for Support of High School for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of $4,250.00 for support of the Common Schools for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($500.00) five hundred dollars for the purchase of Text Books for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($500.00) five hundred dollars for the purchase of Supplies for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($175.00) one hundred seventy-five dollars for Repairs on Schoolhouse for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will raise money to pay Interest on the Temporary Loans.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for the Support of Town Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To raise money for Town Officers' Salaries.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) to be expended under the direction of Fred L. Johnson Post, No. 76, for the proper observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the rent of Hydrants.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Lights.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the breaking of Winter Roads in 1943-1944.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to make a Temporary Loan, if necessary, to meet the liabilities of the Town until money can be realized from the assessments of the 1943 taxes.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00), to be expended for Gravel as permanent repairs on highways outside of State Aid and Third Class roads, to be used by the Road Commissioner where he deems it necessary.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($500.00) five hundred dollars for the support of the Fire Department.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay off Loans.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($310.00) three hundred ten dollars for the maintenance of Improved Section of Third Class Roads, under Secs. 43 to 47, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($673.00) six hundred seventy-three dollars, (6.73 miles at $100 per mile) for the Maintenance and Snow Removal work on State Highway as provided in Section 9 of the Revised Statutes of 1935.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty cents for the State Aid Patrol.

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($200.00) two hundred dollars for Cutting Bushes on Town roads.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the School Physician.

Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) for the Maintenance of Section 18 road.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Civilian Defense.

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $100.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Secs. 62-63-64.

Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for care of the Town Dump.

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($500.00) five hundred dollars to pay Insurance Premiums coming due this year.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of ($300.00) three hundred dollars for repairs on Forster Memorial Building.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road leading in an easterly direction from the Lincoln Smith place, so called, to the old Schoolhouse now owned by Verne Richardson.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of $686.42 for the following overdrafts: Forster Memorial Building ($324.59), Winter Roads ($359.05) and Town Officers ($2.78).

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of $100.00 to put concrete floor, with proper drainage in Tractor House.

Art. 43. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at the Forster Memorial Building, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, Feb. 15, 1943.

NEIL G. LUCE,
RALPH H. STARBIRD,
ANDREW J. CHANDLER,

Selectmen of Strong.

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE

	Raised 1942	Available from Previous Yr.	Total	Balance 1943	Overdraft 1943
High School	$4,100 00		$4,100 00		$356 61
Common Schools	3,900 00		3,900 00		
Text Books	400 00		400 00		
School Supplies	400 00		400 00		
Repairs School House	100 00	$ 13 74	113 74	$ 24 90	
Town Charges	940 00	245 13	1,185 13	398 33	
Int. Temporary Loans	400 00	138 91	538 91	115 67	
Support of Poor	300 00	284 23	584 23	114 49	
Town Officers	850 00	56 03	906 03		218 62
Abatements	2,000 00	642 45	2,642 45	591 95	
Collection of Taxes	275 00	32 48	307 48	32 13	
Summer Roads & Bridges	1,500 00		1,500 00		46 79
Memorial Day	25 00		25 00		
Public Library	100 00	10 15	110 15		
Hydrants	453 60	64 80	518 40		
Street Lights	828 00		828 00		
Winter Roads	1,500 00	49 17	1,549 17		359 05
Special Gravel	500 00	7 57	507 57	13 03	
Fire Department	1,000 00	93 56	1,093 56	20 67	
Maintenance 3d Class Roads	310 00		310 00		180 42
Cutting bushes	100 00	8 48	108 48	14 93	
Forster building	No appropriation				324 59
Civilian Defense	200 00		200 00	121 89	

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BUDGET COMMITTEE

High School	$4,100 00
Common Schools	4,250 00
Text Books	400 00
Supplies	400 00
Repairs	125 00
Town Charges	200 00
Interest Temporary Loans	250 00
Support of Poor	300 00
Town Officers	1,100 00
Abatements	1,500 00
Collection of Taxes	265 00
Summer Roads and Bridges	1,500 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Public Library	100 00
Hydrants	518 40
Street Lights	756 00
Winter Roads	1,500 00
Fire Dept.	500 00
Maintenance Third Class Roads	310 00
Snow Removal and Maintenance, 6.73 miles	673 00
State Aid Patrol	235 50
Cutting Bushes	125 00
School Physician	200 00
Section 18 Road	50 00
Civilian Defense	100 00

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Assessors' Department

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong:

We hereby submit a report of the receipts and expenditures, together with a statement of the valuation, assets and liabilities of the Town of Strong for the year ending Feb. 15, 1943.

VALUATION

Real Estate, Resident	$349,530 00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	35,026 00	
Total Real Estate		$384,556 00
Personal Estate, Resident	$141,120 00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	12,375 00	
Total Personal Estate		$153,495 00
Total Valuation		$538,051 00

No. of Polls taxed	301
No. of Polls not taxed	22

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

State Tax	$4,421 99
County Tax	1,554 24
Free High School	4,100 00
Common Schools	3,900 00
Text Books	400 00
School Supplies	400 00

Repairs on Schools	$ 100 00	
Town Charges	940 00	
Interest	400 00	
Poor Account	300 00	
Town Officers	850 00	
Abatements	2,000 00	
Collection of Taxes	275 00	
Summer Roads and Bridges	1,500 00	
Memorial Day	25 00	
Library	100 00	
Hydrant	453 60	
Street Lights	828 00	
Winter Roads	1,500 00	
Tractor	621 26	
Special Gravel	500 00	
Fire Dept.	1,000 00	
Payment on Notes	1,000 00	
Third Class Maintenance	310 00	
State Highway Maintenance	673 00	
State Aid Patrol	200 00	
Cutting Bushes	100 00	
School Doctor	200 00	
Section 18 Road	50 00	
Civilian Defense	200 00	
Total appropriation		$28,902 09
Excise Tax		1,259 42
		$27,642 67
Overlay	$262 91	
Supplementary Tax	184 75	
		447 66
Total Tax		$28,092 33
301 Polls		903 00
Property Tax		$27,189 33
Rate .05		

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

	NO.		
Stock in Trade	14	$19,975 00	
Musical Instruments	47	2,665 00	
Radios	262	3,800 00	
Gasoline and Oil tanks	15	1,675 00	
Lumber		54,575 00	
Refrigerators	133	7,340 00	
Other Property		45,600 00	
			$135,630 00

LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AV. VAL.	TOTAL VAL.	
Horses	52	$104 81	$5,450 00	
Cows	242	29 86	7,225 00	
Oxen	13	66 92	870 00	
Three year olds	71	26 05	1,850 00	
Two year olds	95	21 00	1,995 00	
Poultry	475	1 00	475 00	
				$17,865 00
Total Personal Property				$153,495 00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AV. VAL.	TOTAL VAL.	
Yearlings	126	$12 14	$1,530 00	
Sheep, to 35 in no.	184	5 00	920 00	
Swine, to 10 in no.	38	12 10	460 00	
Poultry, to 50 in no.	1,224	1 00	1,224 00	
Total amount				$4,134 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Account

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Unexpended Balance	$ 56 03	
Appropriated	850 00	
		$906 03

EXPENDED

Luce, Neil G., 1st Selectman, 1941	$ 70 00	
Starbird, R. H., 2nd Selectman, 1941	135 00	
Chandler, A. J., 3rd Selectman, 1941	50 00	
Norris, R. D., Town Clerk, 1941	47 65	
Jennings, H. B., Town Treas., 1941	50 00	
Marden, G. E., Sexton, 1941	5 00	
Starbird, R. A., Fire Warden, 1941	10 00	
Jennings, H. B., Constable, 1941	10 00	
Starbird, Elizabeth, School Com., 1941	10 00	
Schmidt, Dr. L. M., School Com., 1941	10 00	
Davis, J. W., School Com., 1941	10 00	
DeCosta, T. A., Supt. of Schools, 1942	322 00	
Luce, Neil G., 1st Selectman, 1942	185 00	
Chandler, A. J., 3rd Selectman, 1942	75 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treas. M. & S. Fund, 1941	5 00	
Jennings, H. B., Town Treas., 1942	130 00	
Expended		$1,124 65
Overdrawn		$218 62

Transferred from Excise Tax	$188 10	
Transferred from Overlay	27 74	
		$215 84
Overdraft		$2 78

TOWN CHARGES

Unexpended 1941	$245 13	
Appropriated	940 00	
Other Receipts	57 18	
Unexpended Ins. 1941	12	
		$1,242 43
Expended		844 10
Unexpended		$398 33

FORSTER MEMORIAL BUILDING

Income from Trust Funds	$726 02	
Rentals	43 02	
		$ 769 02
Expended		1,093 61
Overdraft		$324 59

TRACTOR ACCOUNT

Received from State	$1,401 63	
Due from County, Feb. 15, 1943	266 25	
		$1,667 88
Expended		2,385 75
Overdrawn		$717 87
Transferred from Winter Roads	$ 87 45	
Transferred from Overlay	192 71	
Transferred from Dog Licenses	78 66	
		$358 82
Overdraft		$359 05

WINTER ROADS

Unexpended balance Feb. 15, 1942	$ 49 17	
Appropriation	1,500 00	
Available		$1,549 17
Expended		1,461 72
		$87 45
Transferred to Tractor Acct.		87 45

STATE PATROL

Raised	$673 00
Paid State Treas.	673 00

Road Commissioner's Report

To the Citizens of Strong:

I hereby submit my report as road commissioner for the year ending Feb. 15, 1943.

Began work on the town roads March 16, 1942 after heavy rains washed the Worthley hill, True hill and the Pillsbury road leaving them in bad condition. Two hundred and thirty dollars of our gravel money was spent to keep the roads passable until they were in condition to machine. The balance of the special gravel fund was used on the dirt roads where it was most needed.

All roads in town were machined except from Clarles Lisherness' to the Burbank place and from Frank Spaulding's to the Aulby place. These two pieces of road have not been worked for many years.

One new bridge and several culverts were put in on the Spaulding road putting it in good condition.

The bridge at Fred McCleary's was rebuilt, using three new stringers and all new plank.

The bridge at True Luce's was jacked up and one new stringer added. The truss rods were taken up and the bridge partly planked, making it in good condition for the next four or five years.

Sixteen new culverts were installed, two of these were metal. Labor and material for bridges and culverts cost $572, putting them in good repair outside of a few small culverts.

Mowing the right of way on Third Class, State Aid Roads and State Roads cost $198.00.

Work on the third class and section eighteen Roads was approved by the State Supervisor.

Town tools remain the same as in the 1942 report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. RICHARDS,

Road Commissioner.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		$1,500 00
Expended		1,546 79
		$46 79
Transferred from Supplementary Tax		46 79

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriated		$310 00
Expended		490 42
Overdrawn		$180 42
Transferred from Supplementary Tax	$137 96	
Transferred from Overlay	42 46	
		$180 42

SPECIAL GRAVEL

Unexpended	$ 7 56	
Appropriated	500 00	
Available		$507 56
Expended		494 53
Unexpended		$13 03

CUTTING BUSHES

Unexpended	$ 8 48	
Appropriated	100 00	
Available		$108 48
Expended		93 55
Unexpended balance		$14 93

50-50 ROAD ACCOUNT

Due from State Feb. 15, 1942	$46 64
Received from State	46 67
Transferred to Overlay	$ 03

SECTION 18 ROAD

Appropriation	$50 00	
Received from State	24 00	
		$74 00
Overexpended 1941	$11 32	
Expended 1942	65 30	
		$76 62
Overdraft		$2 62
Transferred from Dog Licenses		2 62

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Received for Rent		$139 75
Paid Strong Water District	$ 5 00	
Paid Town Tax Collector	25 00	
Expended		$30 00
Available		$109 75
½ Earnings	$54 88	
Due Clergy Feb. 15, 1942	20 67	
Due for call of Clergy		$75 55
½ Earnings	$54 87	
Due High School Feb. 15, 1942	17 78	
Due High School		$72 65

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Following is a list of fires and places of same from March 1, 1942 to and including Feb. 15, 1943.

April 5 Norman Worthley
April 14 Frank Spaulding
April 29 Bernard Heald's
April 29 Neil Luce
April 30 R. A. Starbird

May	13	Ralph Farrow
June	16	Bertha Mitchell
June	20	Central Office
June	24	Ed Parker
June	29	Johnny Stevens
Oct.	23	Richard Lambert's
Oct.	28	Bert Whitney house
Nov.	14	Sherman Mitchell
Nov.	15	Fred McLeary
Nov.	26	Scribner house
Nov.	30	Norris Store basement
Jan.	19	Starbird Garage
Jan.	19	Herbert Winter
Jan.	20	First National Store basement
Feb.	14	Mayo Farm
Feb.	15	Harry Lovejoy

R. D. NORRIS, *Fire Chief.*

THREE QUARTER CENTURY CLUB

Unexpended balance carried forward from 1942		$9 40

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Unexpended balance Feb. 15, 1942	$ 93 56	
Appropriated	1,000 00	
Available		$1,093 56
Expended		1,072 89
Unexpended balance		$20 67

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated		$828 00
Expended		828 00

HYDRANTS

Unexpended balance Feb. 15, 1942	$ 64 80	
Appropriated	453 60	
Available		$518 40
Expended		518 40

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Appropriated for Town Coordinator	$50 00	
Refund	3 25	
		$53 25
Expended		22 21
Unexpended balance		$31 04

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Appropriated for Air Raid Warden	$150 00
Expended	59 15
Unexpended balance	$90 85

TOWN DUMP

Expended	$14 40
Transferred from Dog Licenses	14 40

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated	$25 00
Expended	25 00

CEMETERY CARE

Unexpended balance Feb. 15, 1942	$42 21	
Receipts	45 00	
		$87 21
Expended		35 00
Unexpended balance		$52 21

TOWN POOR

Unexpended balance Feb. 15, 1942	$284 23	
Appropriation	300 00	
		$584 23
Expended		469 74
Unexpended balance		$114 49

STATE POOR

Due from State Feb. 15, 1942	$729 60	
Expended	769 03	
		$1,508 63
Received from State		1,008 03
Due from State Feb. 15, 1943		$490 60

OTHER TOWNS POOR

Due from Other Towns Feb. 15, 1942	$7 65	
Due from Rockland	9 23	
Balance due from Other Towns		$16 88

INTEREST

Unexpended Feb. 15, 1942	$138 91	
Appropriation	400 00	
		$538 91
Expended		423 24
Unexpended		$115 67

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Unexpended Feb. 15, 1942	$ 13 74	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$113 74
Expended		88 84
Unexpended balance		$24 90

EXCISE TAX

Receipts	$1,525 27	
1942 Commitment	1,259 42	
		$265 85
Expended		77 75
		$188 10
Transferred to Town Officers		188 10

SUPPLEMENTARY TAX

Available		$184 75
Transferred to Roads and Bridges	$ 46 79	
Transferred to 3rd Class Maint.	137 96	
		$184 75

OVERLAY

	$162 88	
Received from State	100 00	
		$262 88
Transferred from 50-50 Road Acct.		03
Available		$262 91
Transferred to Town Officers	$ 27 74	
Transferred to 3rd Class	42 46	
Transferred to Tractor	192 71	
		$262 91

DOG LICENSES

Receipts	$240 48	
Paid State Treas.	144 80	
Available		$95 68
Transferred to Section 18 Road	$ 2 62	
Transferred to Town Dump	14 40	
Transferred to Tractor Acct.	78 66	
		$95 68

ABATEMENTS

Unexpended balance	$ 642 45	
Appropriated	2,000 00	
Available		$2,642 45
Expended		2,050 50
Unexpended		$591 95

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriated	$200 00
Expended	200 00

NOTES PAYABLE FEB. 15, 1942

E. L. Kingsley	$3,000 00	
L. R. Lewis	1,000 00	
L. R. Lewis (Tractor)	621 26	
H. R. Welch (Starbird Bridge and boiler in Forster Building)	2,100 00	
Peoples National Bank (Starbird Bridge and boiler in Forster Building)	418 19	
		$7,139 45
L. R. Lewis (paid on Tractor)	$ 621 26	
L. R. Lewis (note)	1,000 00	
Peoples National Bank	418 19	
H. R. Welch	2,100 00	
		$4,139 45
Total due Feb. 15, 1943		$3,000 00

OTHER PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

School House	$20,000 00	
School Property	2,500 00	
Fire House, Truck, Hose, etc.	3,800 00	
Town Safe	200 00	
Road Machine	250 00	
Forster Memorial Building	30,000 00	
Endowment Fund	20,000 00	
Tractor and Plow	3,000 00	
		$79,750 00

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Unexpended	$ 32 48	
Appropriation	275 00	
		$307 48
Expended		275 35
Unexpended balance		$32 13

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1942

Commitment		$29,064 97
Excise Tax to April 1 applied		1,259 42
		$27,805 55
Supplementary Tax		166 75
		$27,972 30
Paid Treasurer	$25,402 55	
Abatements	2,047 50	
Uncollected 1942	522 25	
		$27,972 30
Allen, Nora S.	$ 48 75	
Bubier, Waldo	1 50	
Duley, Harry	3 75	
Ladd, Emma	190 50	
Ladd, Alton	13 75	
McNally, Ruth, Est.	60 00	
Myshrall, Neil	4 00	
Peary, Carrie, Est.	54 00	
Stewart, Chelsea	65 75	
Wilbur, Dean	3 50	
Baud, Leonard	17 50	
Norton, Maude	18 75	
Smith, Lawrence	40 50	
		$522 25

UNCOLLECTED — 1941

Allen, Nora S.	$6 50	
Bishop, H. M.	6 12	
		$12 62

UNCOLLECTED — 1940

Bishop, H. M.	$23 80	
Ernst, Percy	3 75	
		$27 58

UNCOLLECTED — 1939

Bishop, H. M.		$11 68

ABATEMENTS 1942

Baker, Merchant, paid in Rumford	$ 3 00	
Badger, Jack, paid in Phillips	3 00	
Bubier, Waldo, paid in Avon	3 00	
Corson, Elwood, paid in Pittsfield	3 00	
Connolly, J. J., error	3 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.	2,010 00	
Huff, Willis, paid in Blandford, Mass.	3 00	
Huff, Elwin, paid in Portland	3 00	
Mitchell, Sherman, incapacitated	3 00	
Morse, Arthur, paid in Chesterville	3 00	
Pinkham, Leslie, minor	3 00	
Worthley, Norman H., error	7 50	
		$2,047 50

ABATEMENTS 1941

Ladd, Philip, paid at Forks		$3 00
Total abatements		$2,050 50

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1942 TO FEB. 15, 1943

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1942	$4,481 35
Received from State Treasurer:	
Poor Account, Freeman	1,008 03
Bank Stock Tax	9 19
Dog License refund	95 68
R. R. & Tel. Tax	28 99
School Fund	1,469 52
Tuition, Freeman	1,109 00
Highway Account:	
State Highway, Snow	1,067 88
Section 18	24 00
50-50	46 67
Library Stipend	10 00
Refund Tax Bond	100 00
Received from:	
R. D. Norris, Town Clerk, dog licenses	144 80
Town of Avon, Tuition	126 00
Town of Salem, Tuition	28 00
C. L. Knapp, Insurance Dividends	3 33
Ministerial and School Fund	11 00
Rent of Hitchcock House	139 75
Farmers' Telephone Co., refund	3 25
Sale of Cemetery Lots	45 00
Rent of Forster Building	43 00
Dividends Forster Building	726 02
Refund on Express	52
Peoples National Bank, Temporary Loans	4,000 00
David Lawry, License	1 00
Tractor Hire	333 75
Tax Liens, 1940	197 60
Tax Liens, 1941	317 72

Costs	$ 18 00	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax, 1942	1,127 81	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax, 1943	146 87	
H. B. Jennings, 1941 Tax Liens	489 58	
H. B. Jennings, 1941-42 Abatements	2,050 50	
H. B. Jennings, 1939 Taxes	3 00	
H. B. Jennings, 1940 Taxes	3 00	
H. B. Jennings, 1941 Taxes	88 20	
H. B. Jennings, 1942 Taxes	25,402 55	
		$44,900 56

Orders Paid:		
Town Orders	$37,338 14	
State Tax	4,421 99	
County Tax	1,554 24	
State Treasurer, Dog Licenses	144 80	
State Treasurer, Retirement Fund	238 84	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1943	1,202 55	
		$44,900 56

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Feb. 15, 1943

	DEBITS		CREDITS
Cash	$201 69	Reserve	$201 69
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	$2,000 00

BABBITT TRUST FUND

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Cash	$100 00	$100 00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Treasurer.*

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

Public Accountants and Auditors

Portland, Maine

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Strong:

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector, and Selectmen for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1943 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion the appended comparative balance sheet fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as of February 15, 1943.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

By R. M. Millett, C. P. A.

February 17, 1943

TOWN OF STRONG

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1942		February 15, 1943	
Cash		$4,481 35		$1,202 55
Cash on Deposit with State		100 00		
Uncollected Taxes:				
1942 Taxes			$522 25	
1941 Taxes	$581 40		12 62	
1940 Taxes	27 58		27 58	
1939 Taxes	11 68		11 68	
		620 66		574 13

Tax Deeds:				
1938	$26 95		$26 95	
1937	29 03		29 03	
1936	66 00		66 00	
Prior Years	43 60		43 60	
		$165 58		$165 58
Tax Liens:				
1941			$171 86	
1940	$343 46		145 86	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		390 66		364 92
Accounts Receivable:				
High School Association	$ 57 00		$ 57 00	
State Bounties	4 00			
Town of Avon — Tuition	108 03		39 00	
Town of Freeman — Tuition	890 50		783 00	
County of Franklin			266 25	
Out of Town Poor	7 65		16 88	
State — Highway Dept.	87 80		65 34	
State Poor	729 60		490 60	
		1,884 58		1,718 07
Deferred Appropriations:				
Starbird Bridge	$1,497 59			
Forster Bldg. Boiler	1,020 60			
Common Schools and High Schools	366 75		$356 21	
		2,884 94		356 21
Total Assets		$10,527 77		$4,381 46

LIABILITIES

	February 15, 1942		February 15, 1943	
Notes Payable		$7,139 45		$3,000 00
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		397 46		146 87
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations:				
Town Officers	$ 56 03			
Town Charges	245 13		$398 33	
Collection of Taxes	32 48		32 13	
Abatements	642 45		591 95	
Fire Department	93 56		20 67	
Hydrants	64 80			
Winter Roads	49 17			
Gravel — Special	7 56		13 03	
Cutting Bushes	8 48		14 93	
Town Poor	284 23		114 49	
School Repairs	13 74		24 90	
Schoolhouse Insurance	12			
Hitchcock House	38 45		148 20	
Three Quarter Century Club	9 40		9 40	
Care of Cemeteries	42 21		52 21	
General Interest	138 91		115 67	
Civilian Defense — Chief Warden			90 85	
Civilian Defense — Coordination			31 04	
		1,726 72		1,657 80
		$9,263 63		$4,804 67
General Fund Surplus *(Deficit)*		1,264 14		*423 21*
		$10,527 77		$4,381 46

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	February 15, 1942	February 15, 1943
Trust Fund Investments:		
Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery	$3,950 70	$4,435 63
Church — Hitchcock	204 46	200 56
Church — Interest	91 90	
Church — Babbitt	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	2,202 17	201 69
	$6,549 23	$4,937 88
Invested in Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund		2,000 00
	$6,549 23	$6,937 88

LIABILITIES

Trust Fund Principal	$6,549 23	$6,937 88

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1942.

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. M. E. CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$102 23	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 05	
			$104 28
Oct. 1, 1942	Paid M. E. Church		4 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 28

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$102 23	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 05	
			$104 28
Oct. 1, 1942	Paid Congregational Church		4 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 28

E. K. HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$113 34	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 27	
			$115 61
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$111 61

TOWN OF STRONG CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 05	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 06
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Driveways		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 06

JULIA H. MAY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$148 67	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 98	
			$151 65
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$148 65

FLORENCE RANGER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$111 16	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 23	
			$113 39
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$110 39

GEORGE HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$796 56	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	16 00	
			$812 56
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$808 56

HUNTER AND BLITHEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$106 79	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 13	
			$108 92
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$105 92

DAGGETT BROS. CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$295 51	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	5 93	
			$301 44
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		5 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$296 44

CHARLES A. GOLDSMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$108 17	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 17	
			$110 34
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$107 34

ANNA BATES HUNTER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$107 53	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 15	
			$109 68
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$106 68

FREDERICK E. HARDY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 48	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 49
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 49

THAYAS F. WILL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 26	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 27
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 27

DORA A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

LUCY M. SWEET CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 49	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 50
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 50

FRED A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$50 16	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	1 00	
			$51 16
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$50 16

SAMUEL PHILBRICK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$75 32	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	1 51	
			$76 83
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$75 33

GEORGE H. ALLEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

LEMUEL AND THURZA CROSBY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

WILLIAM I. SMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

ISABELLE N. TOOTHAKER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 04	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 05
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 05

EMMA AND FLORA DODGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$101 39	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 03	
			$103 42
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 42

LIZZIE A. WAITE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 11	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 12
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 12

GILMAN TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 62	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 63
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 63

GEORGE DAGGETT TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

GEORGE M. D. WILL TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 01	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 02
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 02

VINING AND CATES TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 83	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 84
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 84

NELLIE F. DYER TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$100 19	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 01	
			$102 20
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 20

RENA B. JOHNSON TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$300 20	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	6 03	
			$306 23
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$300 23

ELLEN E. SPAULDING TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1941	Balance	$132 77	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	2 66	
			$135 43
Oct. 1, 1942	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$132 43

HARRY G. AND ELLA M. VINING TRUST FUND

Feb. 28, 1942	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	1 18	
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$101 18

WALKER TRUST FUND

May 6, 1942	Balance	$75 00	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	60	
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$75 60

GILMAN AND MITCHELL TRUST FUND

May 6, 1942	Balance	$150 00	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	1 21	
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$151 21

LORING HUNTER TRUST FUND

Aug. 25, 1942	Balance	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1942	Int.	20	
Oct. 1, 1942	Balance		$100 20
The total of the Trust Funds Oct. 1, 1942			$4,586 19

The above accounts are on deposit with the Maine Savings Bank at Portland, Maine; each account on a separate bank book.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS,

By the Trustees,

J. E. WINSLOW, President
DIAH SWEET,
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Strong School Department

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1943

RESOURCES

Appropriation		$8,800 00
State School Fund		1,469 52
M. & S. Fund		11 00
Tuition Received	$1,263 00	
Credit Accrued 1942	998 53	
Credit to 1943		264 47
Tuition Accrued 1943:		
Avon, Elem.	$ 39 00	
Freeman, H. S.	432 00	
Freeman, Elem.	351 00	
		822 00
Refund		3 33
		$11,370 32

EXPENDITURES

Teachers (Common School)	$3,883 78	
Teachers (High School)	3,707 10	
Fuel	563 50	
Janitors	747 45	
Conveyance	1,492 62	
Textbooks	404 37	
Supplies	560 96	
		$11,359 78
Unexpended (1943)		$ 10 54
Overdrawn (1942)		366 75
Overdrawn Balance		356 21

Repairs

Unexpended (1942)	$ 12 74	
Appropriation	100 00	
	$112 74	
Expended	88 84	
Unexpended Balance		$23 90

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, Common School

Walter Webber	$475 00	
Ruth Marean	304 00	
Ruth Morey	686 00	
Faye Starbird	686 00	
Arlene Curtis	686 00	
Otho Knowles	180 00	
Maynard Austin	28 00	
Vera Wing	70 00	
Mollie Davis	4 24	
Ora Luce	40 50	
Alvena Chick	50 04	
Mrs. Benjamin Dodge	45 00	
Burton Curtis	425 00	
Jane Curtis	204 00	
		$3,883 78

Teachers, High School

Harland Keay	$950 00	
Lillian Salmon	277 80	
Gordon Higgins	802 82	
Edith Kennard	855 65	
Dorothy Morrison	194 46	
Evelyn Chadbourne	225 00	
Frances Clay	401 37	
		$3,707 10

Fuel

F. H. Daggett & Son	$563 50

Janitors

Jesse Phillips	$702 20	
John Farrow	5 00	
Maude Hillier	14 00	
Ada Perry	14 00	
Zena Kingsley	12 25	
		$747 45

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$389 00	
Percy Cook	19 06	
C. L. Knapp	44 56	
Harvey Libby	229 50	
Bertha Hunter	360 00	
Clarence Mitchell	254 00	
Ervin Hinkley	119 50	
Dean Wilbur	77 00	
		$1,492 62

Textbooks

Edward E. Babb & Co.	$ 3 34
McCormick & Mathers Pub. Co.	17 25
O. H. Toothaker	18 38
A. N. Palmer Co.	71
World Book Co.	4 12
Geographical Pub. Co.	4 00
Loring, Short & Harmon	2 81
Allyn and Bacon	2 49
MacMillan Company	26 83
Arthur E. Tarbell Co.	3 18
Ginn and Company	10 39
Webster Pub. Co.	25 93
E. C. McGraw	2 18
School Specialty Supply Co.	7 80
D. C. Heath	6 54
L. W. Singer Co.	9 10
Laidlaw Brothers	40 70
Scott, Foresman & Co.	17 40

Row, Peterson & Co.	$ 3 71	
John C. Winston Co.	15 28	
Maine Public Health Assn.	96	
American Book Co.	181 27	
		$404 37

SUPPLIES

Milton Bradley Company	$ 67 59	
Daggett & Son	13 89	
Farmers Tel. Co.	30 24	
Underwood Elliott Fisher Co.	26 00	
L. R. Lewis	3 60	
J. L. Hammett Co.	29 36	
Ronald J. Dunton	5 40	
The Papercrafters, Inc.	31 73	
E. L. Kingsley	3 28	
T. A. DeCosta	4 65	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	125 35	
Frances Clay	3 71	
Maine Public Health Assn.	43	
Loring, Short & Harmon	68 16	
Edward E. Babb & Company	66 56	
West Disinfecting Co.	47 00	
Milwaukee Dustless Brush Co.	5 85	
Strong Water District	28 16	
		$560 96

REPAIRS

E. J. Taylor	$ 2 00	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	4 50	
A. G. Eustis	24 81	
Herbert Morey	8 15	
George Allen	3 00	
Glover Products Co.	28 12	
Jesse Phillips	10 00	
Standard Cotton Goods Co.	8 26	
		$88 84

Report of School Superintendent

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Strong:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

This is the eleventh in a series of annual reports submitted to you by the present Superintendent of Schools. This year we have been attempting to maintain the standard and efficiency of our instruction under circumstances and conditions that have made it very difficult both from the viewpoint of personnel and finances. Our schools have to be adjusted to war conditions and I feel that the patriotism that has prompted a greater amount and more intensive work on the part of all of the teachers is a wonderful demonstration of the part that the schools are taking in carrying on this war and in educating our boys and girls to be capable of directing the affairs of our democracy after the war has been won. We have a war to win and a peace to formulate and enjoy. Nothing else counts, and the public schools are all over the country directing their efforts with these things being made of greatest importance in formulating their curricula and outlining work.

FINANCES. Our expenditures during this year have been only slightly over those of last year. Our elementary teacher cost increased $395 and our secondary teacher cost increased $345, but we have spent $163 less for fuel, about the same for janitors, $432 less for conveyance and about the same for textbooks and supplies; while our resources were greatly lessened by the drop in tuition that we have received from other towns. Last year we were able to credit ourselves with approximately $1,700, this year we will only be able to have a credit of $1,000. This drop was unexpected and in arranging last year's budget was not taken into consideration. We have been able to run this year's business and keep within the budget but last year when estimates were made it was felt that we might reduce the overdraft of a year ago. However, we have been able to do this only with the very small amount of $10.54. You will note under teachers' expenditures we have included some items that take care of the actual expenses of

the training teacher we had from Farmington Normal School, who took care of the crowded condition in the 4th and 5th grades where we had an enrolment of 56 pupils. We have a small credit that can be applied to this account as soon as we can make an adjustment with the Normal School.

RECOMMENDATIONS. It is impossible to see how our shcools are going to be run for the coming year on the same appropriations that we had this year. Teachers' salaries are going to be higher as they now are all over the State and the minimum that can probably be paid for elementary teachers is $20 a week, and $1,200 a year for secondary teachers. This is not a matter for us to use our judgment on but is a necessity and fact that we will have to face because of the more remunerative positions that are open to teachers at this time. We have an excellent corps of instructors in the schools of Strong and it is the desire of the school authorities to keep this corps in our schools.

Fuel will undoubtedly cost us more as we are consuming more this year and will have to supplement our present supply. We have just received notice that the soft coal that we now use has increased $2.00 per ton.

Conveyances will undoubtedly cost more although we will probably have to add no new ones.

Textbooks and supplies, like every commodity that one buys at the present time, have increased in cost.

With these things in mind, it seems that our expenditures would need to be like the following estimates:

High School Teachers	$4,000 00	
Elementary Teachers	4,000 00	
Fuel	600 00	
Janitors	750 00	
Conveyance	1,600 00	
Textbooks	500 00	
Supplies	500 00	
		$11,950 00
Our known resources will be:		
State School Fund	$1,400 00	
Tuition	1,000 00	
		$2,400 00
Necessary to appropriate		$9,550 00

Appropriation, High School	$4,300 00	
Appropriation, Common School	4,250 00	
Textbooks	500 00	
Supplies	500 00	
		$9,500 00

INSTRUCTION. This year we have had two changes in our teaching staff. Burton Curtis, who had taught the 7th and 8th grades, resigned to enter the army, and Mrs. Jane Curtis resigned her position in the 6th grade room. Walter Webber, a graduate of Farmington Normal School, was secured for the 7th and 8th grade position and Mrs. Ruth Marean to take the 6th grade room.

In the high school Gordon Higgins resigned as principal to take a position in Edward Little High School. Frances Clay resigned to accept a position in Massachusetts. Miss Edith Kennard resigned to accept a position in New Hampshire but because of unforeseen circumstances it was possible for us to return her to her present position. Mrs. Dorothy Morrison of Kingfield taught in Miss Kennard's position until Miss Kennard's return. Mrs. Lillian Salmon was secured for Miss Clay's position but she resigned after ten weeks of the fall term. Harland Keay, a graduate of Colby College, who had been submaster in Calais Academy for the last eight years, was secured as Principal of the High School, and to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Lillian Salmon, Mrs. Evelyn Chadbourne was secured.

We now have an excellent and efficient staff of teachers, who are cooperating and working hard for the advancement of our schools and the instruction of our boys and girls. These instructors are to be complimented for the excellent job they have done in carrying on war work in our schools and for the spirit with which they are looking ahead to the work on the issuance of the War Ration Book No. 2.

HIGH SCHOOL. Following is the report of Mr. Harland Keay, Principal of the Strong High School.

ACTIVITIES. Our extra-curricula activities this year have not been cut to any great extent. Of course transportation difficulties have made it necessary for us to curtail some of our interscholastic competition, but to cooperate with the War Department we have had to add a course in physicial education for both boys and girls. We have voluntary assistance in this from Mr. Hervey Jennings and Mr. Ralph

Farrow. The help that these men have given freely and efficiently, has certainly been appreciated by the school authorities and I know that the boys and girls greatly benefit by the instruction that these two men have given. Mr. Keay has handled some of the physical education as a part of his many added duties.

Under this heading of activities I want to thank in behalf of the boys and girls in Strong and the school authorities, the officials of the Forster Manufacturing Company — Mr. Theodore Hodgkins and Mr. Benjamin Butler, who have made it possible for us to use the Grange Hall for basketball and physical instruction. These men contributed a sawdust burner that was installed in a furnace made possible by the generosity of Mr. Ralph Farrow. We certainly appreciate this interest and cooperation shown by the business men of the town.

We are adding to our high school curriculum pre-induction courses recommended by the War Department. A more intense study of mathematics has been instituted, physical education as has been stated, and beginning the second semester an elective course in the Morse International Code is being offered. More courses will be added later in our attempt to cooperate in every way with the war effort.

REPAIRS. Our expenditures for necessary repairs have been small. Fortunately we have had no unforeseen breakdowns.

The toilets in the school building are in poor condition both from the viewpoint of sanitation and construction. The woodwork in both should be repaired and they should be thoroughly cleaned, painted, and the lighting improved. If we had an appropriation under this department of $175 it seems that it would be adequate to take care of doing this work.

No repairs of a major nature are anticipated, but of course there are always minor ones that cannot be foreseen, but that in the interest of economy in the upkeep of the building have to be immediately attended to.

CONCLUSION. A report of this kind must be necessarily brief but I have tried to explain the finances, tell of the efficiency and state the needs of our schools.

The following is quoted from Commissioner Gilson in the last Maine State School Bulletin: "The most serious single problem facing the schools at this moment is the shortage of teaching personnel. This lack of teachers is nation wide in scope but is much more acute in states like Maine where salaries have been very low. Results of recent

surveys reveal that more than one thousand Maine teachers left our schools between July 1 and October 1, 1942. The origin of this critical situation lies, of course, in the tremendous manpower demands of war, and as these demands increase, the drain on teaching personnel will become steadily worse. We in Maine must give this problem immediate attention, since our schools are already being closed for lack of teachers."

The spirit of our teaching staff in Strong is excellent, as has already been stated, and I am sure that every teacher will join me in expressing my appreciation of the suggestions, constructive criticism and helps that have been given to them by the citizens and school officials of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. DeCOSTA.

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent, School Committee, and Citizens of the Town of Strong:

I herewith submit my first report to you as Principal of Strong High School.

The fall term began on September 14 with an enrollment of 49. At present there are 43 pupils enrolled. The Senior class numbers 14, the Junior class 11, the Sophomore class 8 and the Freshman class 10. Instruction is being given in sixteen different courses with the following subject enrollment: English 43, Foreign languages 12, Mathematics 37, Natural Sciences 22, Social Sciences 38, and Commercial 23.

All factors considered, the attendance for the first half year was commendable. During the first term of fourteen weeks 20 pupils had perfect records. The average attendance at each session during this period was 92%.

An effort has been made to offer a wider range of more practical subjects, motivated by the present emergency. Classes in physical education have been introduced for all pupils. This course comprises not only a physical fitness program consisting of calisthenics, military drill and the like, but also first aid. We have been very fortunate in having the services of several members of the Strong State Guard in these classes. In order to initiate this course it was necessary to revert to the shorter class period with emphasis on home study schedules. A study of Morse Code, a pre-induction course, is being offered for the last half year.

Extra-curricular activities have been continued as a worthy part of our program. The School Play under the supervision of Miss Kennard was a success both socially and financially. Attempts are being made to continue the traditional Prize Speaking Contest but at present plans tentative due to transportation difficulties. Several one act plays will be presented during the spring term.

The band under the capable leadership of Mr. Knowles has shown consistent improvement. It is hoped that this unit will present a public concert in the near future.

Six man football was discontinued this fall and replaced by baseball. Strong has been represented by boys' and girls' basketball teams in the North Franklin County League and to date have given a good account of themselves. At present the girls are undefeated in six games and the boys have won three and lost three.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the Forster Estate for their generous gift of a sawdust burner and a winter's supply of sawdust.

The financial condition of the school is very gratifying. The following is a report of the Student Council finances for the first half year:

Account	Received	Expenses	Balance
Class of 1943	$31 59		$31 59
Class of 1944	14 84		14 84
Class of 1945	16 52		16 52
Candy	47 71		47 71
Athletics	47 80	$108 74	* 60 94
Hot Dogs	53 05	30 46	22 59
Student Council	41 00	4 35	36 65
Mussul Unsquit	57 98	56 05	1 93
Class of 1942	54 55		54 55
Magazine Campaign	55 18	2 44	52 74
School Play	56 75	11 49	45 26
1942 Student Council	28 17		28 17
Misc.		17 40	* 17 40
Totals	$505 14	$230 93	
Balances		352 55	
Overdrafts	78 34		
	$583 48	$583 48	

* Indicates overdraft

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash on hand		$352 55

Liabilities

Accounts payable	$126 17	
Surplus	226 38	
		$352 55

Although definite announcement cannot be made at this time a plan is being pursued to enable our school to have hot lunches.

There is a decided need for some repairing and painting in the building, especially in the basements. Our essential immediate needs are paint, hot water, soap, towels and new desks.

In conclusion, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the interest and cooperation shown by the parents and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HARLAND L. KEAY,

Principal Strong High School.

Report of School Physician

Citizens of Strong:

During this School Year I earnestly hope to bring about the following changes in conducting the health facilities of our School:

1. Annual physical examinations are to be complete including eye and ear examinations, which have previously been an added burden to the teachers.

2. These examinations to be given during last month of School Year rather than first, thereby bringing out conditions present due to work in School and giving parents opportunity to have same corrected during summer vacation months.

3. Records of these examinations and reports sent to parents will be kept and checked at the beginning of School the following fall to determine whether or not child is in proper health to begin school year.

4. Examinations of any type at any time during the School Year will be available to all students if considered advisable either by teacher or physician.

5. Tests and vaccinations will be given during warm spring months rather than during colder fall months when resistance of student is usually much lower.

6. Complete report of findings of such tests will be sent parents and recommended treatment advised.

7. Complete records of progress under this plan will be available to any interested in the same and will be presented in next report.

I sincerely hope this will meet with your approval as it already has with members of School Board and School Superintendent.

Constructive criticism or comment will be gladly received at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. L. DENIS MOODY,

School Physician.

Report of Health Officer

February 15, 1943.

Citizens of Strong:

Due to change recently made definite statistics for the year are not available.

However, I am glad to report that during the last few preceding months we have enjoyed comparative freedom from infectious and contagious disease.

It has been necessary to apply quarantine in only a few cases. However, when needed, it was strictly enforced and the cooperation of those concerned was honestly and cheerfully given; thereby avoiding any serious epidemic.

It is my sincere hope that this spirit of cooperation will continue among us for without it we can accomplish but little — but with it I can assure you that everything possible will be done to maintain and protect the health of this community.

Cheerfully submitted,

DR. L. DENIS MOODY,

Health Officer.

Librarian's Report

Strong, Me., Feb. 13, 1943.

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong,

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Strong Public Library, since it was incorporated in 1931, has made a definite contribution to the welfare of the people of this town, either directly or indirectly, and has never been more necessary than at the present time when everyone is forced to seek relaxation from the many cares of life, here at home.

During the past year, 5,195 books and 922 magazines have been borrowed, which should be testimony enough to convince the most skeptic of the importance of the library to the town. New books have been purchased from time to time during the year, as the need arose. A number have been received as gifts and are greatly appreciated. Through the efforts of Mrs. Albert Howes, a successful food sale, for the benefit of the library was held last fall.

In response to another nationwide appeal, the librarian and assistants have collected and shipped about 100 books for men in the Service.

As in the past, the library has been of benefit to the schools, especially the High School and some of the primary grades.

In accordance with other libraries, this library will be closed on all holidays and books that are due, may be returned, without charge, on the next opening date.

As has been said before, no library can long survive without the addition of new books occasionally. With this in mind, we, who work in the library and are in a position to know how much it means to many of you and especially to your children, urge you strongly to do your part in making sure that the relatively small amount we have requested for its maintenance be raised at Town Meeting this year.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE DAGGETT.

Financial Report—Strong Public Library

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Receipts

1942			
June	24 — Town of Strong by H. B. Jennings, Treas.	$100 00	
Oct.	6 — State Stipend by H. B. Jennings, Treas.	10 00	
			$110 00

Disbursements

1942			
July	8 — Books — Irene Daggett	$10 00	
July	25 — Books — E. M. Starbird	10 00	
Oct.	12 — Anna Norton — Magazine Renewals	14 35	
Oct.	12 — Books — Lottie Howes	5 59	
Oct.	31 — Books — Irene Daggett	4 00	
Dec.	5 — Gaylord Brothers — Supplies	6 55	
1943			
Jan.	12 — Books — Arthur E. Tarbell	13 91	
Jan.	12 — H. R. Huntting Co.	1 86	
Feb.	6 — Books	43 74	
			$110 00

CASH ACCOUNT

Receipts

1942			
Feb.	15 — Brought forward	$10 15	
	Fines from Feb. 1, 1942 to Feb. 1, 1943	24 91	
	Sale of Old Magazines	75	
	Food Sale	17 00	
	Gifts	3 41	
			$56 22

Disbursements

Mar. 9 — Magazine Subscription	$ 2 00	
Mar. 15 — Supplies	2 00	
April 4 — Books	2 00	
April 4 — Books	1 58	
April 4 — Books	1 00	
April 10 — Ink Pad	25	
April 10 — Book	98	
July 17 — Books — Suzanne Daggett	10 00	
July 20 — Mending Tape	25	
July 20 — Glue	10	
Aug. 1 — Express	52	
Aug. 1 — Shell Cards	15	
Sept. 1 — Books	17 00	
Sept. 1 — Books and Postage	2 00	
Sept. 10 — Book	1 85	
Nov. 18 — Book	5 94	
		$47 62
1943		
Feb. 1 — Balance on hand		$8 60

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS — STRONG

1942

Feb. 24 — To the wife of Perley Winfield Wheeler, a daughter.
Mar. 2 — To the wife of Charles Gordon Higgins, a daughter.
April 17 — To the wife of Benjamin Franklin Chase, a son.
May 5 — To the wife of Theron H. Nile, a daughter.
May 23 — To the wife of Albert Ray Huff, a son.
June 15 — To the wife of Lloyd Ellison Richardson, a son.
June 15 — To the wife of Donald Frank Chadbourne, a son.
June 27 — To the wife of John C. Wahl, a daughter.
July 8 — To the wife of Charles Phillip Pinkham, a son.
July 12 — To the wife of Robert Samuel Plummer, a son.
July 29 — To the wife of Gerald Curtis Milliken, a daughter.
Aug. 7 — To the wife of Frank E. Spencer, a son.
Sept. 13 — To the wife of Clarence Ethan Mitchell, a daughter.
Sept. 30 — To the wife of Lewis Nile Brackley, a daughter.
Oct. 11 — To the wife of Earland P. Lake, a daughter.
Oct. 14 — To the wife of Philip Arthur Morse, a daughter.
Nov. 16 — To the wife of Jack Hildreth Badger, a daughter.
Nov. 21 — To the wife of Sherwood Phillip Wyman, a son.
Dec. 24 — To the wife of Milton Charles Cox, a daughter.
Dec. 31 — To the wife of Elbert Gardner Bates, a daughter.

1943

Jan. 11 — To the wife of Charles William Snell, a son.
Jan. 19 — To the wife of William Francis Woodside, Jr., a son.
Feb. 3 — To the wife of Wesley B. Stinchfield, a daughter.

BIRTHS — FREEMAN

1942

Jan. 6 — To Germaine R. Daggett, a son.
Mar. 21 — To the wife of Howard P. Lisherness, a daughter.
June 21 — To the wife of John Phillip Morgan, a son.
Nov. 10 — To the wife of Albert Warren Reed, a daughter.
Dec. 3 — To the wife of Levi Linwood Reed, a daughter.

DEATHS — STRONG

1942

Mar. 10 — At Strong, Me., Charles Riley Huff, aged 74 yrs., 6 mos., 6 days.

May 29 — At South Paris, Me., Rose Dodge Hunter, aged 81 yrs., 7 mos., 22 days.

June 16 — At Strong, Me., Abbie M. Collins, aged 87 yrs., 4 mos., 11 days.

June 20 — At Strong, Me., Evelyn Martha Gray, aged 71 yrs., 4 mos., 18 days.

June 21 — At Kingfield, Me., Charles Willard Curtis, aged 81 yrs., 10 mos., 21 days.

July 20 — At Strong, Me., Ella F. Mayo, aged 88 yrs., 3 mos., 18 days.

Aug. 12 — At Strong, Me., Ella B. Williams, aged 79 yrs., 9 mos., 16 days.

Aug. 22 — At Strong, Me., Coradon C. Richards, aged 72 yrs., 8 mos., 28 days.

Sept. 11 — At Strong, Me., M. Merrill Baker, aged 58 yrs., 4 mos., 29 days.

Nov. 17 — At Strong, Me., Rosa C. MacLane, aged 65 yrs., 7 mos., 8 days.

Dec. 22 — At Strong, Me., Edith Wing, aged 73 yrs., 3 mos., 27 days.

1943

Jan. 9 — At Strong, Me., Katherine C. French, aged 64 yrs., 4 mos., 21 days.

DEATHS — FREEMAN

1942

June 7 — At Portland, Me., Leon A. Thomas, aged 65 yrs., 4 mos., 6 days.

Sept. 4 — At Freeman, Me., Addie Eunice Weymouth, aged 71 yrs., 1 mo., 21 days.

Sept. 20 — At New Sharon, Me., Angie E. Farmer, aged 79 yrs.

Oct. 9 — At Lewiston, Me., Hortense F. Allen, aged 75 yrs., 9 mos., 9 days.

Oct. 13 — At Manchester, N. H., George Washington Brown, aged 70 yrs., 11 mos., 15 days.

1943

Jan. 12 — At Freeman, Me., Lois M. Berry, aged 22 yrs., 9 mos., 4 days.

MARRIAGES — STRONG

1942

Feb. 7 — At Farmington, Me., by Merle S. Conant, Everett Clyde Durrell of Strong, Me., and Chestina Agnes Williams of North Anson, Me.

Feb. 24 — At Kingfield, Me., by Helen B. Holman, Clifford McNally of Strong, Me., and Floris Altena Cook of Strong, Me.

June 29 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Philip Wendall Richards of Strong, Me., and Mildred Ella Huff of Strong, Me.

Sept. 1 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, James Owen Joung of Arlington, Virginia, and Marian Frances Luce of Arlington, Virginia.

Sept. 2 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Ivan Martin Richardson of Strong, Me., and Ilda Jane Bates of Strong, Me.

Sept. 27 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Howard Winslow Pinkham of Avon, Me., and Mildred Louise Hinkley of Phillips, Me.

Sept. 29 — At Phillips, Me., by Roy A. Clark, Kenneth Edgar Ames of Strong, Me., and Evelyn Minnie Mitchell of Phillips, Me.

Oct. 24 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Blyn Harding Wing of Phillips, Me., and Maxine Edith Gilchrist of Avon, Me.

Nov. 18 — At Phillips, Me., by Roy A. Clark, Charlie E. Savage of Rangeley, Me., and Maeie Winifred Heald of Strong, Me.

Dec. 13 — At Strong, Me., by Gerald C. Milliken, Harvey Lawrence Libby of Strong, Me., and Mabelle Jennie Bachelder of Strong, Me.

MARRIAGES — FREEMAN

1942

Feb. 22 — At New Vineyard, Me., by G. Arthur Woodcock, Andy Daggett of Freeman, Me., and Mildred Esther Cook of New Vineyard, Me.

RAYMOND D. NORRIS, Town Clerk.

Preserve This Report

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.

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G. E. MARDEN

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HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

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Warrant for Annual Town Meeting

To Hervey B. Jennings, Constable of Strong, County of Franklin,
GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said town, on Monday, March 6, 1944, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Clerk for ensuing year.

ART. 3. To hear reports and to allow accounts.

ART. 4. To choose town officers required by law to be elected in March, viz: 3 Selectmen, 3 Assessors, 3 Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, one or more members of the Superintending School Committee, Tax Collector and Fire Warden.

ART. 5. To see if the town will elect or instruct its Selectmen to appoint a Road Commissioner.

ART. 6. To see when the taxes shall be collected and made payable.

ART. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $5,000.00 for support of Free High School for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see if the town will raise the sum of $4,600.00 for support of the Common Schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $500.00 for purchase of Text Books for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see if the town will raise the sum of $500.00 for the purchase of Supplies for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $100.00 for Repairs on school house for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see if the town will raise money to pay Interest on temporary loan.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Support of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote for Town Officers' Salaries.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Abatement of Taxes for ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Collection of Taxes for ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $25 to be expended under the direction of Fred L. Johnson Post No. 76 for the proper observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for rent of Hydrants.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Street Lights.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for breaking Winter Roads in 1944-1945.

Art. 23. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to make a Temporary Loan if necessary to meet the liabilities of the town until the money can be realized from the assessments of the 1944 taxes.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $500.00 to be expended for Gravel as permanent repairs on highways outside of State Aid and Third Class roads, to be used by the road commissioner where he deems it necessary.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $500.00 for the support of the Fire Department.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay off Loans.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $228.00 for the maintenance of Improved Section of Third Class roads, under Section 43 to 47, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will raise to Tar Third Class road from Strong village to Avon line.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $673.00 (6.73 miles at $100 per mile) for the maintenance and snow removal work on State Highway as provided in Section 9 of the Revised Statutes of 1935.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $235.50 for the State Aid Patrol.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Cutting Bushes on town roads.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for School Physician.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $50.00 for the maintenance of Section 18 road.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $100.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 11, Secs. 62 to 67.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $100.00 for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for care of Town Dump.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $100.00 to pay Insurance Premiums coming due this year.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading in an easterly direction from the Lincoln Smith place, so called, to the turn on Taylor Hill, so called, leading to the Wesley Hubbard farm.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $121.06 for the following overdraft: Repairs on school house.

Art. 41. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50.00 to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 42. To see what action the town wishes to take in regard to purchasing snow removal equipment.

Art. 43. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift one acre of land as an addition to the cemetery from Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cox. They in turn to reserve one lot of their choice.

Art. 44. To see if the town will vote to accept from Forster Mfg. Co. Inc. $2,000.00 now held by the Treasurer to be used per their suggestion to start a school and town building fund.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $200.00 for upkeep of the village cemetery to hire a permanent caretaker to keep the cemetery in a respectable condition.

Art. 46. To see if the town will instruct the Trustees of the Town of Strong Trust Funds to make needed repairs on the vault at the village cemetery.

Art. 47. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of $300.00 to widen the Leon Pillsbury road from the State road to his buildings.

Art. 48. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 15, 1944.

NEIL G. LUCE,
ANDREW J. CHANDLER,
FRANK M. TOOTHAKER,

Selectmen of Strong.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Town Charges	$ 400 00
Interest on Loans	300 00
Abatements	2,200 00
Collection of Taxes	350 00
Roads and Bridges	1,500 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Public Library	100 00
Hydrants	518 40
Street Lights	759 75
Winter Roads	1,500 00
Fire Dept.	500 00
Maintenance 3rd Class Roads	228 00
State Patrol	673 00
State Aid Patrol	270 00
Cutting Bushes	100 00
School Physician	200 00
Section 18 Road	50 00

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Assessors' Department

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong:

We hereby submit a report of the receipts and expenditures together with a statement of the valuation, assets and liabilities of the Town of Strong for the year ending Feb. 15, 1944.

VALUATION

Real Estate, Resident	$350,170 00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	39,530 00	
Total Real Estate		$389,700 00
Personal Estate, Resident	$141,935 00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	12,585 00	
Total Personal Estate		$154,520 00
Total Valuation		$544,220 00

No. of Polls taxed	255
No. of Polls not taxed	42

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

State Tax	$4,561 50
County Tax	1,257 51
Free High School	4,300 00
Common School	4,250 00
Text Books	400 00
School Supplies	400 00
Repairs on Schools	175 00
Town Charges	200 00

Interest	$ 250 00	
Poor Account	300 00	
Town Officers	1,100 00	
Abatements	1,500 00	
Collection of Taxes	275 00	
Summer Roads and Bridges	1,500 00	
Memorial Day	25 00	
Library	100 00	
Hydrants	518 40	
Street Lights	800 00	
Winter Roads	1,500 00	
Special Gravel	500 00	
Fire Dept.	500 00	
Payment on Notes	1,000 00	
Third Class Maintenance	310 00	
State Highway Maintenance	673 00	
State Aid Patrol	235 50	
Cutting Bushes	125 00	
School Physician	200 00	
Section 18 Road	50 00	
Town Dump	25 00	
Civilian Defense	200 00	
Overdrafts	686 42	
Floor for Tractor House	100 00	
Repairs on Forster Building	300 00	
Insurance Premiums	500 00	
Total Appropriations		$28,817 33
Excise Tax		1,035 45
		$27,781 88
Overlay	$194 12	
Supplementary Tax	105 00	
		299 12
Total Tax		$28,081 00
255 Polls		765 00
Property Tax		$27,316 00
Rate .05		

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

	NO.		
Stock in Trade	13	$18,625 00	
Musical Instruments	52	2,700 00	
Radios	228	3,440 00	
Gasoline and Oil Tanks	16	1,750 00	
Lumber	7	53,575 00	
Refrigerators	131	7,265 00	
Other Property	4	45,500 00	
			$132,855 00

LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AV. VALUE	TOTAL VALUE	
Horses	65	$110 67	$7,200 00	
Cows	252	32 70	8,240 00	
Oxen	7	67 86	475 00	
Three year olds	84	31 31	2,630 00	
Two year olds	94	25 21	2,370 00	
Poultry	550	1 00	550 00	
Swine	6	33 33	200 00	
				$21,665 00
Total Personal Property				$154,520 00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK

	NO.	AV. VALUE	TOTAL VALUE	
Yearlings	108	$16 71	$1,805 00	
Sheep, to 35 in no.	243	5 00	1,215 00	
Swine, to 10 in no.	61	15 82	965 00	
Poultry, to 50 in no.	1347	1 00	1,347 00	
Total amount				$5,332 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Account

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Appropriated		$1,100 00
Expended		
Luce, Neil G., 1st Selectman 1942	$ 65 00	
Starbird, Ralph H., 2nd Selectman 1942	135 00	
Chandler, Andrew J., 3rd Selectman 1942	50 00	
Norris, Raymond D., Town Clerk 1942	40 48	
Starbird, Elizabeth, School Com. 1942	10 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treas. M. & S. Fund 1942	5 00	
Jennings, H. B., Constable 1942	10 00	
Jennings, H B., Treasurer 1942	50 00	
Davis, James W., School Com. 1942	10 00	
DeCosta, T. A., Supt. of Schools 1943	333 00	
Luce, Neil G., 1st Selectman 1943	185 00	
Chandler, A. J., 2nd Selectman 1943	75 00	
Jennings, H. B., Treasurer 1943	130 00	
		$1,098 48
Unexpended		$1 52

TOWN CHARGES

Unexpended 1942	$398 33	
Appropriated	200 00	
Other Receipts	31 98	
		$630 31
Expended 1943		490 48
Unexpended		$139 83

FORSTER MEMORIAL BUILDING

Income from Trust Fund and Rentals	$ 793 27
Expended	1,229 42
Overdraft	$436 15
Transferred from Unexpended Revenues	436 15

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$1,500 00	
Receipts	2,298 04	
Due from other towns	50 00	
Available		$3,848 04
Expended		4,435 16
		$587 12
Transferred from Unexpended Revenue		45 14
Overdraft		$541 98

SPECIAL TRACTOR ACCOUNT

Paid Eastern Tractor Co.	$1,360 10

STATE PATROL

Appropriated	$673 00
Paid State Treasurer	673 00

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriated	$235 50
Paid State Treasurer	235 50

Road Commissioner's Report

To the Citizens of Strong:

I hereby submit my report as Road Commissioner for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1944. Beginning work on the Town roads April 19, 1943, with special gravel, fixing places where the frost was coming out, soon as the roads were in shape, I started the road machine, and was getting along fine until the first washout, which left the roads in bad shape, being rough and hard to keep in fair shape the rest of the season. Bridges and culverts were washed out, got what help I could and fixed the worst places first, so to keep traffic moving.

The County Commissioners were called on to view the road from the Knowlton farm up the back road by Pillsbury's place to the top of Hutchins hill; they approved of my work and gave me plenty of time to repair the road. We have three bridges that will need new planks this spring, the Luce, Stewart, and Lisherness bridges. It will take about 8 M feet of plank to do this at a cost of about $320.00, not including spikes, or labor. I would think this would be all the bridge work for this year, outside the regular repairs on culverts.

The work on Section 18 and Third Class roads was approved by your State Supervisor.

Town tools are in good shape, we need two or three new spades.

I present the above as my annual report and recommendations, for your earnest approval and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. RICHARDS,

Road Commissioner.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriated	$1,500 00	
Receipts	7 26	
		$1,507 26
Expended		3,017 92
		$1,510 66
Less expenditures authorized at Special Town Meeting		1,500 00
		$10 66
Transferred from Special Gravel		10 66

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriated	$310 00
Expended	280 65
Unexpended	$29 35

SPECIAL GRAVEL

Appropriated	$500 00	
Unexpended from 1942	13 03	
		$513 03
Expended		492 69
Unexpended		$20 34
Transferred to Roads and Bridges		10 66
Unexpended Balance		$9 68

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriated	$125 00	
Unexpended from 1942	14 93	
		$139 93
Expended		65 70
Balance Unexpended		$74 23

50-50 ROAD ACCOUNT

Received from State		$24 00
Available		24 00

SECTION 18 ROAD

Appropriated		$50 00
Expended		72 50
Overdraft		$22 50
Due from State		22 50

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Due H. School (1943)	$72 65	
½ of Net Income	55 25	
		$127 90
Less amount due from S. Council		57 00
Amount due High School (Feb. 15, 1944)		$70 90
Due Clergy (Feb. 15, 1943)	$75 55	
½ Net Income	55 25	
Due call of Clergy (Feb. 15, 1944)		$130 80
		$201 70

CEMENT FLOOR IN FIRE STATION

Appropriated	$100 00
Available	100 00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated	$800 00
Expended	782 75
Unexpended	$17 25

HYDRANTS

Appropriated	$518 00
Expended	518 00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Balance brought forward	$121 89	
Appropriated	200 00	
Rec'd from Grangie Marden	30 00	
		$351 89
Expended		263 54
Unexpended		$88 35

TOWN DUMP

Appropriated	$25 00
Expended	9 75
Unexpended Balance	$15 25

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriated	$25 00
Paid Fred L. Johnson Post	25 00

CEMETERY CARE

Brought forward from 1942	$52 21	
Receipts	15 00	
		$67 21
Expended		5 00
Unexpended		$62 21

TOWN POOR

Balance from 1942	$114 49	
Appropriated	300 00	
Rec'd from Town of Kingfield	20 00	
		$434 49
Expended		456 96
Overdraft		$22 47
Transferred from Unexpended Revenue		22 47

STATE POOR

Expended 1943	$715 72	
Due from previous years	555 31	
Due from State		$1,271 03

OTHER TOWNS POOR

Due from 1942	$16 88	
Expended 1943	5 13	
Total Due		$22 01

INTEREST

Appropriated	$250 00	
Unexpended from 1942	115 67	
Available		$365 67
Expended		294 72
Unexpended		$70 95

SCHOOL REPAIRS

Appropriated	$175 00	
Balance from 1942	24 90	
Available		$199 90
Expended		320 96
Overdraft		$121 06

EXCISE TAX

Receipts 1943	$1,362 73	
1943 Commitment	1,035 45	
		$327 28
Expended		73 50
		$253 78
Transferred to Overdrafts		253 78

SUPPLEMENTARY TAX

Available	$114 00
Transferred to Overdrafts	114 00

OVERLAY

Available	$194 12
Transferred to Overdrafts	194 12

DOG LICENSES

Received from State	$72 14
Transferred to Overdrafts	72 14

FORSTER BUILDING REPAIRS

Appropriated	$300 00
Expended	217 23
Unexpended	$82 77

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	$500 00	
Unexpended from 1942	20 67	
		$520 67
Expended		516 27
Unexpended		$4 40

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

List of Fires as attended by Strong Fire Department from February 15, 1943 to February 15, 1944.

DATE		PLACE
1943		
Feb.	17	Chimney fire at Allen Brackley's
Mar.	5	Chimney fire at Williams house
Mar.	5	Chimney fire at Williams house
Mar.	6	Chimney fire at George Ford's
April	3	Chimney fire at True Luce's
April	6	Chimney fire at Edgar Tuttle's
April	30	O'Donnell house
May	1	Chimney fire at Mabel Richardson's

1943		
May	10	Fire at Starbird's Mill
May	16	Cushman house in Avon
May	16	Chimney fire at Norman Worthley's
May	19	Forster Mfg. Company
June	30	Chimney fire at Harry Lisherness'
Aug.	8	Fire, Walter Fish house
Nov.	16	Chimney fire at Herbert Winter's
Dec.	9	Chimney fire at the McCleary Block
Dec.	10	Chimney fire at R. D. Norris store
Dec.	10	Chas. Skillings chimney fire
Dec.	12	Chimney fire at Bert Whitney house
Dec.	14	Fire at Wesley Stinchfield's
Dec.	25	Chimney fire at Hal Smith's
Dec.	29	Chimney fire at Henry Hamlin's, Avon
1944		
Jan.	2	Chimney fire at Charles Dickey's
Jan.	20	Chimney fire at Lisherness house
Feb.	10	Chimney fire at Herbert Winter's

GRANGIE E. MARDEN, *Fire Chief.*

THREE QUARTER CENTURY CLUB

Unexpended Balance carried forward from 1942	$9 40

INSURANCE

Appropriated	$500 00	
Refund	6 49	
		$506 49
Expended		607 47
		$100 98
Transferred from Unexpended Balance		100 98

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriated	$200 00
Expended	200 00

NOTES PAYABLE

E. L. Kingsley, Feb. 15, 1943	$3,000 00	
H. R. Welch, Summer Roads	1,500 00	
H. N. Luce, Tractor bill	1,360 10	
		$5,860 10
Paid E. L. Kingsley		1,000 00
Total Due Feb. 15, 1944		$4,860 10

ABATEMENTS

Unexpended from 1942	$ 591 95	
Appropriated	1,500 00	
		$2,091 95
Expended		2,074 03
Balance		$17 92

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Appropriated	$275 00	
Balance from 1942	32 13	
		$307 13
Paid H. B. Jennings		336 43
Overdraft		$29 30
Transferred from Unexpended Revenue		29 30

OTHER PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

School House	$15,000 00	
School Property	2,500 00	
Fire House, truck, hose, etc.	3,800 00	
Town Safe	200 00	
Road Machine	200 00	
Forster Memorial Building	30,000 00	
Endowment Fund	20,000 00	
Tractor and Plow	3,000 00	
		$74,700 00

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1943

Commitment		$28,817 33
1943 Excise Tax to April 1 applied		1,035 45
		$27,781 88
Overlay		194 12
		$27,976 00
Supplementary Tax		105 00
		$28,081 00
Paid Treasurer	$25,781 75	
Abatements	2,062 75	
Uncollected 1943	236 50	
		$28,081 00
Allen, Nora S.	$ 48 00	
Dyar, Walter	101 00	
Daggett, Adeline, Heirs	57 50	
Meadows, John L.	3 00	
Nile, Theron	3 25	
O'Donald, William	3 75	
Spaulding, F. H., Heirs (paid before going to press)	20 00	
		$236 50

UNCOLLECTED 1942

Allen, Nora S.	$4 75

UNCOLLECTED 1941

Allen, Nora S.	$6 50
Bishop, H. N.	6 12

UNCOLLECTED 1940

Bishop, H. N.	$23 80	

UNCOLLECTED 1939

Bishop, H. N.	$11 68	

ABATEMENTS 1943

Merchant Baker, paid in Rumford	$ 3 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., vote of town	2,037 50	
M. M. Melanson, error	1 75	
Philip Morse, paid in S. Portland	3 75	
Jack Badger, paid in Phillips	3 00	
Carroll Smith, error	7 75	
James Lambert, paid in Portland	3 00	
Venard Sample, error, in the army	3 00	
		$2,062 75

1942

Neil Myshrall, residence unknown	$4 00	
Dean Wilbur, unable to find	3 50	
		$7 50

1940

Percy Ernst, unable to find		$3 78
Total Abatements		$2,074 03

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1943 — FEB. 15, 1944

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1943	$ 1,202 55
Received from State Treasurer:	
Bank Stock Tax	5 65
Dog License refund	72 14
R. R. & Tel. Tax	16
School Fund	2,155 46
Tuition, Freeman	998 88
Highway Account:	
State Highway, Snow	1,148 29
50-50	24 00
Library Stipend	10 00
Received from:	
Cancelled Check	6 64
World Book Co., refund	1 92
C. L. Knapp, refund (school insurance)	6 49
Town of Avon, tuition	21 00
Ministerial and School Fund	25 00
Rent of Hitchcock house	150 50
Sale of Cemetery lot	15 00
Grangie Marden, Civilian Defense	30 00
David Lawry, license	1 00
Willard Curtis, refund on battery	3 00
Rent of Forster Building	4 00
Dividends, Forster Building	789 27
Peoples National Bank, temporary loans	4,000 00
Hervey R. Welch, temporary loan	2,000 00
Hervey R. Welch, special loan	1,500 00
Tractor hire	1,413 00
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector, 1942 tax liens	296 25
Refunds — Town roads	62

Costs	$ 25 17	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax 1943	1,215 86	
H. B. Jennings, Excise Tax 1944	235 62	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Deeds 1936	32 75	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Deeds 1937	29 03	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Deeds 1938	26 95	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Liens 1940	62 40	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Liens 1941	126 10	
H. B. Jennings, Tax Liens 1942	234 75	
H. B. Jennings, Abatements 1940-'42-'43	2,074 63	
H. B. Jennings, 1942 Taxes	222 75	
H. B. Jennings, 1943 Taxes	25,781 75	
Town of Kingfield, Warren Walker account	20 00	
Horatio N. Luce, special loan	1,360 10	
		$47,328 08

Orders Paid:		
Town Orders	$40,118 84	
State Tax	4,561 50	
County Tax	1,257 51	
State Treasurer, Retirement Fund	252 72	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1944	1,137 51	
		$47,328 08
On deposit in Franklin County Savings Bank		
Money received from Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.		2,000 00

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Feb. 15, 1944

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Cash	$205.93	$205.93
	RESERVE	
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	
	$2,000.00	$2,000.00

BABBITT TRUST FUND

	DEBITS	CREDITS
Cash	$100.00	$100.00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Treasurer.*

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS

Portland, Maine

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Strong:

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1944 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion the appended statements fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1944.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER

By R. M. MILLETT, C.P.A.

February 15, 1944

TOWN OF STRONG

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1943		February 15, 1944	
Cash		$1,202 55		$1,137 51
Uncollected Taxes:				
1943			$236 50	
1942	$522 25		4 75	
1941	12 62		12 62	
1940	27 58		23 80	
1939	11 68		11 68	
		574 13		289 35

Tax Deeds:				
1938	$26 95			
1937	29 03			
1936	66 00		$33 25	
Prior Years	43 60		43 60	
		$ 165 58		$ 76 85
Tax Liens:				
1942			$61 50	
1941	$171 86		45 76	
1940	145 86		83 46	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		364 92		237 92
Accounts Receivable:				
High School Asso.	$ 57 00			
Town of Avon — Tuition	39 00		$ 19 50	
Town of Freeman — Tuition	783 00		587 10	
Out of Town Poor	16 88		22 01	
County of Franklin — Snow	266 25			
State Highway Dept.	65 34		87 84	
State Poor	490 60		1,271 03	
Town of Phillips — Snow			50 00	
		1,718 07		2,037 48
Deferred Appropriations and Overdrafts:				
School Department	$356 21		$ 70 20	
School Repairs			121 06	
Roads — Special			1,500 00	
Tractor Repair — Special			1,360 10	
		356 21		3,051 36
		$4,381 46		$6,830 47

LIABILITIES

	February 15, 1943		February 15, 1944	
Notes Payable		$3,000 00		$4,860 10
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		146 87		235 62
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations:				
Town Officers			$ 1 52	
Town Charges	$398 33		139 83	
Collection of Taxes	32 13			
Abatements	591 95		17 92	
Forster Bldg. Repairs			82 77	
Fire Department	20 67		4 40	
Street Lights			17 25	
Concrete Floor — Fire House			100 00	
Care of Dump			15 25	
Third Class Maint.			29 35	
Gravel — Special	13 03		9 68	
Cutting Bushes	14 93		74 23	
50-50 Road			24 00	
Town Poor	114 49			
School Repairs	24 90			
Hitchcock House	148 20		201 70	
Three-Quarter Cent. Club	9 40		9 40	
Care of Cemeteries	52 21		62 21	
General Interest	115 67		70 95	
Civilian Defense	121 89		88 35	
		1,657 80		948 81
		$4,804 67		$6,044 53
General Fund Surplus *(Deficit)*		*423 21*		785 94
		$4,381 46		$6,830 47

SPECIAL FUNDS

	February 15, 1944
Investments:	
Savings Account No. 20828	
Franklin County Savings Bank	$2,000 00
Funds Held for Special Purposes:	
Unappropriated	$2,000 00

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	Feb. 15, 1943	Feb. 15, 1944
Investments:		
Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery Funds	$4,435 63	$4,947 24
Church — Hitchcock	200 56	200 58
Church — Babbitt	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	201 69	205 93
	$4,937 88	$5,453 75
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$6,937 88	$7,453 75

LIABILITIES

Trust Fund Principal	$6,937 88	$7,453 75

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1943.

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. M. E. CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 28	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 29
Oct. 1, 1943	Paid to M. E. Church		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 29

E. K. HITCHCOCK FUND ACCT. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 28	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 29
Oct. 1, 1943	Paid to Congregational Church		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 29

E. K. HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$111 61	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 23	
			$113 84
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$109 84

TOWN OF STRONG CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 06	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 07
Oct. 1, 1943	Gravel on Drives		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 07

JULIA H. MAY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$148 65	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 98	
			$151 63
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$148 63

FLORENCE RANGER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$110 39	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 21	
			$112 60
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$109 60

GEORGE HITCHCOCK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$808 56	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	16 24	
			$824 80
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		4 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$820 80

HUNTER & BLITHEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$105 92	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 11	
			$108 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$105 03

DAGGETT BROS. CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$296 44	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	5 95	
			$302 39
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		5 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$297 39

CHARLES A. GOLDSMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$107 34	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 15	
			$109 49
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$106 49

ANNA BATES HUNTER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$106 68	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 13	
			$108 81
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$105 81

FREDERICK E. HARDY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 49	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 50
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 50

MISS THAYAS F. WILL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 27	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 28
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 28

DORA A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

LUCY M. SWEET CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 50	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 51
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 51

FRED A. PAGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$50 16	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	1 00	
			$51 16
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$50 16

SAMUEL PHILBRICK CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$75 33	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	1 51	
			$76 84
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 50
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$75 34

GEORGE H. ALLEN CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

LEMUEL & THURZA CROSBY CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

WILLIAM I. SMITH CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

MRS. ISABELLE N. TOOTHAKER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 05	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 06
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 06

EMMA & FLORA DODGE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 42	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 43
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 43

LIZZIE A. WAITE CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 12	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 13
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 13

GILMAN TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 63	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 64
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 64

GEORGE DAGGETT CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

GEORGE M. D. WILL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 02	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 03
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 03

VINING & CATES CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 84	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 85
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 85

NELLIE F. DYER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 20	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 21
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 21

RENA B. JOHNSON TRUST FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$300 23	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	6 03	
			$306 26
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		6 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$300 26

ELLEN E. SPAULDING CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$132 43	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 65	
			$135 08
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$133 08

HARRY G. & ELLA M. VINING CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$101 18	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 03	
			$103 21
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$101 21

WALKER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$75 60	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	1 51	
			$77 11
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		1 50
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$75 61

GILMAN & MITCHELL CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$151 21	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	3 03	
			$154 24
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		3 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$151 24

LORING HUNTER CEMETERY FUND

Oct. 1, 1942	Balance	$100 20	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	2 01	
			$102 21
Oct. 1, 1943	Expended on Cemetery Lot		2 00
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 21

H. O. LISHERNESS EST. CEMETERY FUND

Feb. 1, 1943	Prin.	$50 00	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	67	
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$50 67

MAUD B. HILLIER CEMETERY FUND

Apr. 23, 1943	Prin.	$100 00	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	88	
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$100 88

LINCOLN A. & VIOLA C. WORTHLEY TRUST FUND

May 4, 1943	Prin.	$115 00	
June 21, 1943	Prin.	35 00	
Oct. 1, 1943	Int.	1 13	
Oct. 1, 1943	Balance		$151 13

The Total Balance of the Trust Funds Oct. 1, 1943 $4,897 82

The above accounts are on deposit with the Maine Savings Bank at Portland, Maine; each account on a separate bank book.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS

By the Trustees
J. E. Winslow, *President*
Diah Sweet
H. B. Daggett, *Sec. and Treas.*

Strong School Department

"Due to the illness of T. A. DeCosta, the Superintendent of Schools, the written report that is usually given will have to be omitted."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1944

Resources		
Appropriation	$8,550 00	
Textbooks	400 00	
Supplies	400 00	
Tuition (Received)	197 88	
Tuition (Accrued)	606 60	
State School Fund	2,155 46	
Interest	25 00	
Refund	1 92	
		$12,336 86
Expenditures		
High School Teachers	$4,451 35	
Common School Teachers	3,649 00	
Fuel	859 32	
Janitor	824 30	
Conveyance	1,311 78	
Textbooks	432 45	
Supplies	522 65	
		$12,050 85
Unexpended 1944		$286 01
Overdrawn 1943	$356 21	
Overdrawn balance 1944		$70 20

REPAIRS

Unexpended (1943)	$ 24 90	
Appropriated	175 00	
		$199 90
Expended		320 96
Overdrawn		$121 06

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, High School

Harland L. Keay	$2,063 91	
Edith Kennard	642 98	
Evelyn Chadbourne	425 00	
Dorothy Doten	633 37	
Marcella Belanger	686 09	
		$4,451 35

Teachers, Common School

Walter Webber	$425 00	
Ruth Marean	272 00	
Ruth Morey	758 00	
Faye Starbird	340 00	
Nathalie Dyer	475 00	
Helen Heald	418 00	
Arlene Curtis	758 00	
Otho Knowles	85 00	
Vera V. Wing	118 00	
		$3,649 00

Fuel

Strong Wood Turning Co.	$ 19 00	
F. H. Daggett & Son	704 64	
F. L. Butler Co.	135 68	
		$859 32

Janitors

Jesse Phillips	$703 50	
Ada Peary	69 60	
Jack Urquhart	19 20	
Maud Hillier	16 00	
Zena Kingsley	16 00	
		$824 30

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$590 00	
Bertha Hunter	479 50	
Clarence Mitchell	136 00	
Leon Pillsbury	60 00	
Percy Cook	19 16	
C. L. Knapp	27 12	
		$1,311 78

Textbooks

The MacMillan Company	$ 17 75	
World Book Company	2 73	
The Gregg Publishing Co.	1 54	
Field Service Com. F. S. N. S.	3 00	
D. C. Heath & Co.	1 27	
The L. W. Singer Co.	29 10	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	9 80	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	40 44	
American Book Co.	146 80	
Ginn and Company	44 92	
Webster Publishing Co.	35 15	
Silver Burdett Co.	50 54	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	9 56	
News Map of the Week, Inc.	15 00	
Loring, Short & Harmon	2 80	
Allyn & Bacon	15 17	
Frontier Press Company	6 88	
		$432 45

Supplies

The Papercrafters	$ 20 98	
Lewis B. Pearson	32 50	
Maxwell & Conquest	20 00	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	43 00	
Mrs. Ruth Morey	9 88	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Exp.	88	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	29 88	
F. H. Daggett & Son	4 62	
Farrow's Grocery	5 48	
J. L. Hammett Co.	28 56	
Strong Water District	28 16	
Clough & Pillsbury	2 40	
L. R. Lewis	2 15	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	155 90	
Loring, Short & Harmon	59 59	
The Barton Press	3 00	
Franklin Farmers' Co-op. Tel. Co.	30 28	
T. A. DeCosta	15 39	
West Disinfecting Co.	23 50	
Hervey Jennings	6 50	
		$522 65

Repairs

A. G. Eustis Estate	$115 84	
Beckley Cardy Company	8 80	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Exp.	36	
Rial Bubier	12 00	
Cutler Ellis	5 25	
L. R. Lewis	57 29	
George A. Allen	13 50	
Herbert L. Morey	2 95	
F. H. Daggett & Son	14 67	
Estate of C. V. Starbird	40 00	
Milford B. Richardson	46 00	
Oscar D. Fogg	4 30	
		$320 96

T. A. DeCOSTA,

Superintendent of Schools.

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent, School Committee, and Citizens of the Town of Strong:

I herewith submit my second report to you as Principal of Strong High School.

The fall term began on September 13 with an enrollment of 50. This number includes the Eighth grade which is part of our five year high school plan inaugurated last fall. At present there are 46 pupils enrolled. The Senior class numbers 9, the Junior class 7, the Sophomore class 8, the Freshman class 10, and the Eighth grade 12. Instruction is being given in sixteen different courses with the following subject enrollment: English 46, Foreign languages 12, Mathematics 22, Natural Science 24, Social Sciences 20 and Commercial 10.

All factors considered the attendance for the first half year was commendable. During the first term of 14 weeks 19 pupils had perfect records. The average attendance at each session during this period was 90%.

We have had two changes in our teaching staff. Miss Dorothy Doten, a graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, with two years teaching experience succeeded Miss Edith Kennard as head of the English department. Miss Marcella Belanger, a graduate of the College of New Rochelle, New York, is at the head of our foreign language department and directress of Music.

Classes in physical education for all pupils have been continued this year. Mr. Jennings, Mr. Farrow and members of the Strong State Guard have succeeded in making this activity not only a pleasant one but to my mind one of the most beneficial to all participants. It is my sincere hope that provisions will be made to give this course a permanent place in the school curriculum.

The study of Morse Code, a pre-induction course, is being offered again this year.

As a result of a revised schedule initiated last year due to the extra pre-induction courses, home study schedules became necessary. This year this plan has been continued and is paying dividends for a great many.

The new activities sponsored by Strong High School are the Glee Club and the Orchestra under the capable direction of Miss Marcella Belanger. Both of these organizations have shown consistent improvement and have become worthwhile projects.

A School Library has been started and although funds have been lacking it is hoped that in another year it will become a reality. We have the room and some equipment but much more is needed.

Our hot lunch program is at last being realized. From 105 to 120 hot lunches are being served daily for the cost per pupil of 5c per meal. This is possible due to Federal Government Aid. So far parents and friends have cooperated in the preparation of the meals and it is a huge success. I want to thank especially Mrs. Elizabeth Starbird and all the ladies who have so willingly given their time to help us initiate this project. My only hope is that it may be permanent.

Last spring the pupils of the grade school and high school raised funds to build a playground. At the present time we have eight chain swings, a basketball court, a badminton court, a volley ball court, and a slide. All of this equipment is permanent and an essential part of any school program. It is hoped that something may be added each year. The health of these boys and girls should always be our first objective.

Financially, the school has $50.00 in liabilities and $200.00 in cash.

It has been difficult to carry on sports because of the small number of boys in the high school. However, basketball has been continued and at present the boys have won 5 and lost 5. Our girls won the Championship of the League both this year and last year and tied

both years for the County Title. These girls have proved themselves to be worthy opponents of the larger schools.

There are many things needed in order to give our pupils a real basic, civic, cultural and vocational background but these needs have been suggested so many times without results that I shall not mention them again.

In conclusion, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the interest and cooperation shown by the parents and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

HARLAND L. KEAY,

Principal Strong High School.

Report of School Physician

February 15, 1944.

Citizens of Strong,

Greetings:

The new school health program is progressing very satisfactorily; near the close of last school year, upon examining 149 grade and 40 high school students, the following findings were made:

	TEETH		
	Perfect	Fair	Poor
Grades	23	84	42
High School	8	28	4

	Eyes	Ears	Nose and Throat
Grades: O. K.	87	147	118
Need attention	62	2	31
High School: O. K.	28	35	23
Need attention	12	5	17

It can be readily seen from the above that we are maintaining a health record considerably above the average.

This is in no small measure due to the splendid cooperation received from parents in promptly attending to the health needs of their children when these needs are brought to their attention.

Upon examination near the end of school year, each student's condition of health is recorded and parents are invited to inspect their child's records at any time.

With the earnest hope that we may have an even better status of health in our school, this report is cheerfully submitted.

DR. L. DENIS MOODY,

School Physician.

Report of Health Officer

February 15, 1944.

Citizens of Strong,

Greetings:

The past year has been without any serious epidemic of communicable diseases.

There have been several improvements made in town regarding waste and sewerage disposal and many more are contemplated in the near future, time and material permitting.

Our most difficult problem in maintaining health has arisen from the indiscriminate drinking of water from streams and springs without regard as to whether same is fit for human consumption. Although the taste of chlorinated water at times may be undesirable, especially during summer months, the fact remains that it is safe and should have preference over water of unknown content.

I'll be only too glad to have water from any source tested and findings posted.

Your local health officer and the state health department are only too glad to aid in any way they can in maintaining public sanitation. However, their efforts are of no avail without the cooperation of all in the community. This cooperation is earnestly solicited.

Signed:

DR. L. DENIS MOODY,

Local Health Officer.

Librarian's Report

Strong, Me., Feb. 15, 1944.

To the Citizens of the Town of Strong,

Ladies and Gentlemen:

During the past year the Strong Public Library has continued the good work of supplying the townspeople with interesting books and magazines. Many of our young people have found it a source of pleasure and recreation for their leisure hours.

The circulation has been increased this year from 5,195 books and 922 magazines to 5,479 books and 1,012 magazines which clearly shows the value of such an institution in this small town of limited recreational facilities. The cost of books has risen, making it difficult for us to obtain all that are needed but by contacting a good lending library we have been able to buy some slightly used books at reduced rates which has made it possible for us to present to our readers about the usual number for the year.

In response to another appeal for books for the armed forces this library is again doing its part in collecting them.

Anyone desiring to help the library may do so by becoming a member of the Library Association. Those who use the library are especially urged to join as it is for them the library is being kept open. As members they will have the opportunity of selecting books to be purchased and a voice in anything pertaining to the welfare of the library. More members are needed. The dues are only 50 cents a year. Anyone interested may get full information from Elizabeth Starbird or Irene Daggett.

Those assisting the librarian at present during library hours are: Lila Tainter, Lottie Howes, Olive Potter and Marie Newell. During the absence, this winter, of Mrs. Fred Daggett, who usually serves on Saturday nights with Mrs. Tainter, Miss Doten and Miss Belanger of

the High School faculty have kindly given their services when requested. Mrs. Keay and Mrs. Ellingwood have also served a number of times during the past year and Phyllis Sample has been a substitute recently. Since all this work is done without financial reward, many thanks are due these workers for their help so generously given.

The regular library hours at present are from 2:30 to 4 P. M. on Tuesdays and 7 to 9 P. M. Saturdays, except on all holidays when it is closed. These hours, however, are only a part of the time required in running the library as there is a great deal of work to be done when it is closed to the public.

Your library is a strong force in morale building in these trying times when we all need to escape from harsh reality occasionally so we ask you, Ladies and Gentlemen, to do your part in the coming Town Meeting for it by voting to raise the money we have requested for its maintenance.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE DAGGETT,

Librarian.

Financial Report—Strong Public Library

AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED

Feb. 10, 1943	Brought Forward	$ 8 60	
	Rec'd from town by H. B. Jennings	100 00	
May 15, 1943	Rebate on Bill	1 53	
June 10, 1943	Sale of Books	3 30	
Nov. 20, 1943	State Stipend by H. B. Jennings	10 00	
	Fines for year Feb. 1, 1943-Feb. 1, 1944	23 76	
			$147 19

AMOUNT OF MONEY DISBURSED

Mar. 2, 1943	Books	$ 2 39	
Mar. 30, 1943	Paste	10	
May 3, 1943	Book	50	
June 11, 1943	Books	1 00	
	Note Book	29	
June 20, 1943	Cards	30	
	Magazine Subscription	1 00	
July 15, 1943	Books	2 45	
July 20, 1943	Book	1 98	
	Mucilage	10	
	Book	93	
	Express	52	
	Books	76	
	Postage	06	
Sept. 2, 1943	Keys	50	
Nov. 16, 1943	Books	1 69	
	Book	49	
	White Writing Fluid	10	
Jan. 15, 1944	Jones Book Store	32 57	
Jan. 18, 1944	Crossett and Williams	1 00	
Jan. 20, 1944	Supplies	4 50	
Jan. 24, 1944	Books	12 35	
	Cash Book	1 00	
			$135 88
February 1, 1944	Cash on Hand		$11 13

Vital Statistics

STRONG AND FREEMAN

MARRIAGES — STRONG

1943

May 3 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Gerald Burchard Flagg of Strong, Me., and Dorothy Ethelyn Dill of Strong, Me.

June 16 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Floyd Dunn Stubbs of Strong, Me., and Marion L. Snow of Strong, Me.

June 16 — At Phillips, Me., by Wm. H. H. Taylor, Donald Walter Beedy of Strong, Me., and Ethel Maxine McIntosh of Madrid, Me.

June 22 — At Strong, Me., by Roy S. Graffam, Willard Seth Sawyer of Strong, Me., and Arlene May Locklin of Strong, Me.

June 30 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Charles Warren Smith of Phillips, Me., and Eva Mabel Carter of Strong, Me.

July 12 — At Madison, Me., by Robert Haldane, Henry Erland Webber of Strong, Me., and Ella Spencer Williams of Farmington, Me.

July 24 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, True Harris of New Sharon, Me., and Elsie Cordelia Haines of Strong, Me.

July 29 — At Phillips, Me., by Cony M. Hoyt, Richard F. Pinkham of Avon, Me., and Margaret Anne Brooks of Strong, Me.

Aug. 21 — At Kingfield, Me., by Helen B. Holman, Stanton Leland Ellis of Strong, Me., and Betty Leigh Barker of New Vineyard, Me.

Aug. 29 — At Kingfield, Me., by G. Arthur Woodcock, Robert Stevens Worthley of Strong, Me., and Glenda Muriel Knapp of Kingfield, Me.

Sept. 11 — At Strong, Me., by Roy S. Graffam, Kermit Clyde Wing of Canton, Me., and Shirley Amilda Holt of Wilton, Me.

Sept. 13 — At Farmington, Me., by Currier C. Holman, Orrin A. Wilson of Strong, Me., and Clarissa R. Ellsworth of Strong, Me.

1943

Sept. 26 — At Strong, Me., by Willard H. Curtis, Millard E. Crocker of Farmington, Me., and Christine M. Smith of Strong, Me.

Nov. 8 — At Strong, Me., by Roy S. Graffam, Leslie Burrill of Strong, Me., and Arlene Joyce Atherton of Strong, Me.

Dec. 25 — At Phillips, Me., by Wm. H. H. Taylor, Daniel W. Ford of Strong, Me., and Ruth G. Wilbur of Strong, Me.

MARRIAGES — FREEMAN

1943

June 16 — At Kingfield, Me., by Helen B. Holman, Richard A. Brindley of Atlanta, Georgia, and Lucille Bessie Viles of Freeman, Me.

BIRTHS — STRONG

1943

Feb. 7 — To the wife of Myron Leroy Witherell, a daughter.

Mar. 23 — To the wife of Daniel Benson Huff, a daughter.

Mar. 26 — To the wife of Stanley Gerald Reynolds, a son.

Mar. 28 — To the wife of Hugh Gaspard Allen, a son.

Apr. 7 — To Irene L. Nile, a son.

Apr. 16 — To Rosanna Thomas, a daughter.

May 15 — To Lucille Stevens, a son.

May 16 — To the wife of Phillip Barden Bunnell, a daughter.

June 8 — To the wife of Merton Conley Presby, a son.

June 9 — To the wife of Clarence Alfred Knowlan, a daughter.

June 26 — To the wife of Willard Sawyer, a daughter.

July 11 — To the wife of Lawrence Perley White, a daughter.

July 28 — To the wife of Lyde Sherwood Howes, a daughter.

Sept. 27 — To the wife of Clyde Abbott, a daughter.

Oct. 23 — To the wife of Albert Ray Huff, a daughter.

Oct. 30 — To the wife of Edgar Erlon Brackett, a daughter.

Nov. 2 — To the wife of Frank Edward Spear, a son.

1944

Jan. 7 — To the wife of Leonard C. Hutchins, a daughter.

Jan. 21 — To the wife of Joseph Francis Paul, a daughter.

Jan. 25 — To the wife of James Owen Young, a son.

Jan. 27 — To the wife of Charles Oscar Pillsbury, a daughter.

FREEMAN — BIRTHS

1943

Oct. 11 — To the wife of Clayton Guy Chadbourne, a daughter.
Nov. 16 — To the wife of Forest Pinkham, a daughter.

DEATHS — STRONG

1943

Mar. 9 — At Rumford, Me., Ellingwood Baker, aged 25 days.
Mar. 12 — At Hartford, Conn., Hazel Rounds Lane, aged 44 yrs., 8 mos., 21 days.
Mar. 13 — At Strong, Me., Gertrude E. Richards, aged 62 yrs., 10 mos., 11 days.
Mar. 29 — At Strong, Me., Charles William Anderson, aged 71 yrs., 10 mos., 18 days.
May 14 — At Strong, Me., Fred P. Nutting, aged 75 yrs., 5 mos., 27 days.
May 27 — At Strong, Me., Laura E. Allen, aged 87 yrs., 4 mos., 7 days.
June 25 — At Farmington, Me., Samuel F. Toothaker, aged 79 yrs., 2 mos., 1 day.
July 4 — At Strong, Me., Belinda Elverna Crepeau, aged 63 yrs., 5 mos., 15 days.
July 18 — At Strong, Me., Walter Eben Merchant, aged 75 yrs., 7 mos., 5 days.
July 22 — At Augusta, Me., Everdene E. Taylor, aged 40 yrs., 7 mos., 25 days.
Aug. 9 — At Auburn, Me., Albert L. Jackman, aged 58 yrs., 6 mos., 22 days.
Aug. 15 — At Avon, Me., Ostin V. Will, aged 79 yrs., 10 mos., 20 days.
Aug. 23 — At Strong, Me., Flora May Smith, aged 44 yrs., 10 mos., 24 days.
Sept. 10 — At Strong, Me., Levi N. Ballou, aged 57 yrs., 15 days.
Nov. 6 — At Strong, Me., John Morrison, aged 77 yrs., 7 mos., 11 days.
Dec. 8 — At Kingfield, Me., Fred A. Page, aged 63 yrs., 19 days.

1944

Jan. 17 — At Strong, Me., Blanche Hamilton, aged 73 yrs., 4 mos., 22 days.

DEATHS — FREEMAN

1943

July 30 — At Kingfield, Me., Alice M. Baker, aged 83 yrs., 7 mos., 4 days.

Sept. 28 — At Lewiston, Me., Baby Lisherness, infant.

Oct. 11 — At Farmington, Me., Baby Chadbourne, infant.

Nov. 26 — At Wilton, Me., Bert Soper, aged 69 yrs., 6 mos., 21 days.

Dec. 28 — At Farmington, Me., Albert C. Brackley, aged 16 yrs., 12 days.

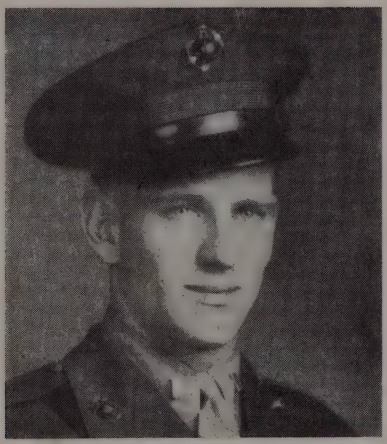
RAYMOND D. NORRIS, Town Clerk.

Preserve This Report

A sufficient number of these reports have been printed to furnish every interested citizen with a copy. An effort has been made to get them into the hands of the voters in advance. It should be borne in mind that if copies are left at home there may not be a sufficient number at the hall to go around on town meeting day. This year or any year it is desirable for you to have a copy of the annual report as soon as issued. It is also important for you to preserve it and bring it with you town meeting day morning.

MERTON COX
8|31|12 — 5|24|43

WESTON NORTON
11|23|15 — 6|2|44



HARLAND DAY
10|10|20 — 7|24|45

Town of Strong

Annual Report

For 1945

In Recognition of Those Who Served

The Town of Strong starts the new fiscal year with many World War II Veterans already back home. Much has been said and written relative to the "Service Man Problem," but we of this community will do well to take issue with those who would have us believe that the return of these neighbors and fellow citizens constitutes a problem.

Governor Horace A. Hildreth has consistently urged that any program dealing with the interests of Service Men should be kept as near the community level as possible. The Governor's position is sound, for the vast majority of our Veterans desire the opportunity to work and to re-establish themselves, and where have they a better right to find that opportunity than in their own community.

This is not to dismiss the principle that the Federal Government has definite obligations, especially in meeting hospitalization needs, and that the State will prove an important factor in the rehabilitation program, with emphasis centering upon vocational education.

We of the Town of Strong are fortunate in having these returning Service Men and Women with us during this critical period of transition from the economy of war production to one of peace. As citizens we are interested in promoting friendly relations between labor and industry, and in preventing the decline of agriculture, realizing that through the stabilization of these economic factors will come new homes and a better standard of living.

We need to regain the spirit of unity and all-out production which carried us to Victory against formidable opponents. This may well be the goal of this and thousands of other communities from coast to coast. In attaining it we may liberate the potential energies of the Nation to the peace-time needs of men everywhere. In so doing we may find our only chance to salvage something worthwhile from the shattered lives and mounting public debt which together made victory possible.

SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES

EDWARD ALLEN
KENNETH AMES
ALBERT AYOTTE
ELBERT BATES
THEODORE BATES
DONALD BEEDY
LEON BEAL
WINSTON BEAL
RUFUS BRACKLEY
EDWARD BRAUZA
FRANK BRAUZA, JR.
PHILLIP BUNNELL
MALCOLM BURDIN
VIOLA BURDIN
BURCHARD COLBY
FRANK COLE, JR.
ALTON CORO
MERTON COX
MILLARD E. CROCKER
LLOYD CROSBY
BURTON C. CURTIS
MALCOLM DAGGETT
HARLAND DAY
DANIEL DEARBORN
CHARLES DERAPS
ROBERT DERAPS
FRED DOBLE
MONTELL DUNHAM
CLIFFORD DURRELL
CLIFTON DURRELL
EVERETT DURRELL
FREELAND DURRELL
IRVING ELLINGWOOD
BERNARD ELLIS
ARTHUR E. ENMAN
JOHN W. FARROW
BURCHARD FLAGG
LYMAN FORD
WILLARD FORD
CARLTON FULLER
ALDEN GAGE
FREDERICK GAGE
ROBERT GAGE
JOHN HAGERSTROM
ROBERT HEWEY
LLOYD HINCKLEY
BENSON HUFF
BURCHARD HUFF
DURRELL HUFF
KENDALL HUFF
MELBURN HUTCHINS
KENNETH HUNTER
HOWARD HUFF
ROGER KENNEDY
EARLON KENNISTON
MERLON KINGSLEY
RICHARD KINGSLEY
CLARENCE A. KNOWLAN
WALLACE KOLREG
ALTON LADD, JR.
CONRAD LADD
FLOYD LADD
PHILLIP LADD
ROGER LADD
URCIL LAKE
ELBERT LAMBERT

HARVEY LIBBY
NORMAN LIBBY
NEIL LUCE, JR.
AARON MARDEN
BERNARD MARDEN
LEWIS MASON
BASIL MELVIN
EVERETT MITCHELL
ROY McCOURT
ARTHUR McLEARY
CLIFFORD E. NEIL
WESTON NORTON
RAYMOND D. NORRIS
WALTER ORQUHART
ROBERT PALMER
ALTON PARKER
EDWIN PARKER
JOSEPH PAUL
EDWARD PILLSBURY
COBURN PILLSBURY
OSCAR PILLSBURY
LESLIE PINKHAM
RUPERT POTTER
FLORIECE PRATT
ANDREW PRATT
ALBERT PROBERT
JOSEPH QUINT
RUSSELL RAY
FRED RAYMOND
ALBERT REED
STANLEY REYNOLDS
CHARLES RICHARDS
PHILLIP D. RICHARDS
IVAN RICHARDSON
LLOYD RICHARDSON
VENARD SAMPLE
WILFRED SAMPLE
LORRIMER SCHMIDT
JAMES SKILLINGS
RAYMOND SMITH
HERBERT SPAULDING
RAY SPAULDING
EDWARD STARBIRD
EDWARD STEVENS
LESTER STEVENS
PHILLIP STINCHFIELD
RAYMOND STINCHFIELD
THERON STINCHFIELD
ELLIS H. STUBS
HOWARD O. SWEET
BURNELL WALKER
ARLIE WELCH
GLEN B. WHITING
BRUCE WINTERS
DANA WITHAM
ARNOLD WITHERALL
HARRY WITHERALL
GEORGE WOOD
RALPH WOOD
PAUL WORTHLEY
JAMES WORTHLEY
WILLIAM F. WOODSIDE
COE TOOTHAKER, JR.
ROE TOOTHAKER

Annual Report

OF THE

Municipal Officers

AND

Board of Education

OF THE TOWN OF

Strong, Maine

FOR THE FISCAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1946

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please preserve it and bring it to Town Meeting as no duplicate will be issued.

Farmington, Maine
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Town Officers

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor
F. A. RICHARDSON ANDREW J. CHANDLER
ALMON D. PRATT

Town Clerk
MARGUERITE L. NORRIS

Treasurer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Road Commissioner
F. A. RICHARDSON

Superintendent of Schools
FRANCIS MALCOLM

School Committee
ELIZABETH STARBIRD R. E. EUSTIS
L. D. MOODY

Health Officer
L. D. MOODY, D. O.

Sexton
DANIEL ABBOTT

Sealer of Weights and Measures
STANLEY ALLEN

Fire Chief
J. E. MARDEN

Constables
HERVEY B. JENNINGS A. C. KINGSLEY

Truant Officer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Town Warrant

County of Franklin, ss.

To Hervey B. Jennings, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at Forster Memorial Building in said Town, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

Art. 4. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Wages, Fuel, Janitor Service, Conveyance, Textbooks, Reference Books, and School Supplies for desk and laboratory use.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for repairs on Schoolhouses for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the salary of the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges, including gravel for Unimproved Roads, for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for breaking Winter Roads in 1946-1947.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for State Aid Road Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 26, Chapter 20, R. S. of 1944.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred and twenty-eight dollars ($228.00) for Third Class Maintenance in accordance with the provisions of Section 52, Chapter 20, of the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of seven hundred and forty dollars and thirty cents ($740.30) for the maintenance and snow removal work on State Highway (Route 4) as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of three hundred and forty-six dollars ($346.00) for State Aid Patrol.

Art. 15. To see when the taxes shall be collected and made payable.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Interest on Temporary Loans and Town Debt.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for support of Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the services of the School Physician.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said funds to be expended under the direction of Fred L. Johnson Post, No. 78, A. L.

Art. 27. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of Books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Maintenance of Town Dump for the ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired

by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Village Cemetery.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to complete the work of grading and fencing the addition to the Village Cemetery.

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.00) to widen sections of the Leon Pillsbury road where banks make snow removal work difficult and expensive.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for repair of Sidewalks.

Art. 36. To see if the Town will vote to apply Tarvia on the Hutchins Hill Road, so-called, as far as the High Street intersection, and raise money for same.

Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred and fifty dollar ($250.00), to be expended under the direction of the Franklin County Veterans Service Center; to assist in the rehabilitation and employment of persons honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II, in accordance with Section 91 of Chapter 40 of the Public Laws of 1945.

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to reorganize its system of managing the Cemetery Trust Funds by electing a five member Board of Trustees, one to serve one year; one to serve two years; one to serve three years; one to serve four years; one to serve five years; thereafter electing one annually for the five year term; with the further provision that the member serving the final year of his elected term shall be Chairman of the Board during that period, and that the Trustees shall elect one of their members as Secretary-Treasurer.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise money to pay for the following overdrafts; Winter Roads, $1,050.50; Collection of Taxes, $27.41; Abatements, $239.81 — Total $1,317.72.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept gifts to the School and Gymnasium Account, made by individuals and business concerns, in the amount of eight thousand and eighty-five dollars and fifty-seven cents ($8,085.57) and approve the action of the Selectmen in ordering this amount deposited in the Franklin County Savings Bank.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to request the Maine State Highway Commission to ask for bids for construction of Valley Brook Bridges on Grange Street and authorize the former to arrange a loan for the Town's share of the cost of Construction, which is estimated to be $5,742.40.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of $1,000.00 to be set aside and credited to the School Gymnasium Fund.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will instruct the School Building Committee to have plans drawn for a new School Building, and to submit the plans, together with estimate of cost, to the citizens of the Town at a later meeting.

Art. 44. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 21, 1946.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ANDREW J. CHANDLER,
ALMON D. PRATT,

Selectmen of Strong.

1946 BUDGET (RECOMMENDATIONS)

Town Charges	$ 350 00
Interest	100 00
Abatements	2,000 00
Collection of Taxes	400 00
Summer Roads	2,500 00
Winter Roads	3,000 00
Memorial	25 00
Public Library	100 00
Hydrants	518 40
Street Lights	778 17
Fire Department	500 00
Third Class Maintenance	228 00
State Patrol	740 30
State Aid Patrol	346 00
Insurance	150 00
School Superintendent Salary	434 48
Town Officers	775 00
State Aid Road	533 00
Town Poor	100 00
School House Repairs (Department Request)	250 00
Schools (Department Request)	12,000 00
Veteran's Service Center	250 00
Cemetery (New Section)	400 00
Cemetery (Old Section)	100 00
Sidewalks	100 00
Town Dump	15 00
School Physician	200 00

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENTS 1945

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	$361,045 00	$147,235 00	$508,280 00
Non-Resident	28,195 00	12,795 00	40,990 00
	$389,240 00	$160,030 00	$549,270 00

Appropriations made at Town Meeting		$29,894 67
State Tax		4,568 48
County Tax		1,379 20
Overlay		313 64
Total		$36,155 99
Less Excise Tax collections prior to April 1, 1945		780 98
Amount Assessed		$35,375 01
Assessed (Rate $6.30 per $100.00)		
On Real and Personal Property	$34,604 01	
257 Polls at $3.00 (No. Polls not taxed, 65)	771 00	
Original Commitment		$35,375 01
Supplemental Taxes		175 79
Final Commitment		$35,550 80

Real Estate Classified

Land	$116,085 00
Buildings	273,155 00
Total	$389,240 00

Personal Property Classified

Taxable Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Av. Value	Total Value
Horses	112	$113 18	$12,790 00
Colts	2	100 00	200 00
Steers, Oxen, etc. (over 18 mos.)	37	36 35	1,345 00
Milk Cows	273	32 19	8,790 00
Heifers (over 2 yrs.)	52	25 86	1,345 00
Heifers (18 mos. — 2 yrs.)	41	19 02	780 00
Fowl (over 50 in No.)	260	1 00	260 00
			$25,510 00

Exempt Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Av. Value	Total Value
Cattle (under 18 mos.)	202	$11 32	$2,285 00
Draft Colts (under 3 yrs.)	1	75 00	75 00
Sheep (to 35 in No.)	218	5 00	1,090 00
Swine (to 10 in No.)	50	10 40	520 00
Fowl (to 50 in No.)	1,085	1 00	1,085 00
Total			$5,055 00

Stock in Trade	9	$15,775 00
Logs	3	3,800 00
Lumber	3	14,000 00
Gasoline Pumps & Attachments	15	1,825 00
Musical Instruments	72	3,690 00
Radios	268	3,645 00
Furniture (Elec. appliances)	117	6,600 00
Finished Prod. in Mills	2	34,075 00
Tractors (not Excised)	21	3,785 00
Machinery and Equipment		35,000 00
Other Property		12,325 00
Total		$134,520 00

Industrial and Utility Property	No.	
Light and Power Companies	2	$ 8,500 00
Saw Mills	2	2,000 00
Wood Working Mills	22	13,500 00
Other Industrial Companies	1	28,400 00

PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

Schoolhouse	$15,000 00
School Property	2,500 00
Fire Station, Truck	3,800 00
Town Safe	200 00
Road Machine	200 00
Forster Building	30,000 00
Endowment Fund	70,000 00
Tractor and Plow	4,000 00
Truck and Plow	5,000 00

TOWN CHARGES

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$181 88	
Appropriation	250 00	
Grand Old Opera, license	5 00	
David O. Lawry, license	1 00	
Paul Pillsbury, charges	1 50	
Lawrence Smith, charges	3 00	
H. N. and N. P. Bean, charges	3 00	
State of Maine, Bank stock tax	7 54	
State of Maine, R. R. Tel. and Tel. Tax refund	46	
		$453 38

Expended

Marks Printing House, supplies	$ 30 96
Knowlton & McLeary Co., supplies, town reports	102 65
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	2 30
Elizabeth Starbird, typing	3 00
Peoples National Bank, bank charges, supplies	9 14
Maine Municipal Association, membership	35 00
Grangie Marden, night watch	4 00
H. B. Jennings, night watch	4 00
A. C. Kingsley, night watch	4 00
Almon D. Pratt, car mileage	3 00
Strong Water District, lantern	1 50
Branham Printing Co., supplies	2 00
Franklin Farmers' Tel. Co., phone charges	5 80
F. E. Knowlton, recording	2 00
L. R. Lewis, Memorial supplies, etc.	8 70

Millett, Fish & Dresser, audit	$125 00	
C. F. Chandler & Son, funeral, widow Civil War Veteran	100 00	
H. B. Jennings, postage and supplies	17 01	
E. L. Kingsley, supplies	25	
		$460 31
Due from State of Maine, C. F. Chandler & Son bill		$100 00
Overdraft		$6 93
Transfer from Excise Tax		6 93

APPROPRIATIONS ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 5, 1945

Elementary and Secondary Schools	$11,000 00
Repairs and Painting Roof of School Building	600 00
Supt. of Schools	434 48
Town Charges and Amount Necessary for Abatements	2,750 00
Maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges	2,500 00
Breaking Winter Roads	2,000 00
State Aid Road Construction	533 00
Third Class Maintenance	228 00
Maintenance and Snow Removal on State Highway	673 00
State Aid Patrol	235 50
Collection of Taxes	400 00
Interest on Temporary Loans and Town Debt	300 00
Rent of Hydrants	518 40
Street Lights	798 00
Town Officers	1,250 00
Fire Department	700 00
Maintenance of Section 18 Road	50 00
School Physician	200 00
Support of Poor	150 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Aid to Dependent Children	100 00
Control of White Pine Blister Rust	100 00
Books for Library	100 00
Insurance	500 00
Town Dump	35 00

Village Cemetery	$ 100 00
Clearing, Grading and Fencing the Addition to Cemetery	300 00
Money for Overdrafts	2,180 72
1942-43 Bill	83 57
Town Debt	1,000 00
Sidewalks	50 00

TOWN OFFICERS

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 249 43	
Appropriation	1,250 00	
		$1,499 43

Expended

1944 Salaries

F. A. Richardson, Selectman	$250 00
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00
A. D. Pratt, Selectman	125 00
Marguerite L. Norris, Town Clerk	41 39
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer (balance)	50 00
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer M. and S. Fund	5 00
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00
L. D. Moody, School Committee	10 00
Elizabeth Starbird, School Committee	10 00
R. E. Eustis, School Committee	10 00
C. B. Gilman, Sexton	5 00
H. B. Jennings, Truant Officer	2 00
	$653 39

1945 Salaries

F. A. Richardson, Selectman	$250 00
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00
A. D. Pratt, Selectman	125 00
Marguerite L. Norris, Town Clerk	48 25
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer	180 00
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer M. and S. Fund	5 00
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00
Elizabeth Starbird, School Committee	10 00
R. E. Eustis, School Committee	10 00

L. D. Moody, School Committee	$10 00	
Daniel Abbott, Sexton	5 00	
A. C. Kingsley, Constable	5 00	
	$793 25	
		$1,446 64
Balance		$52 79

TRUCK AND PLOW

E. L. Kingsley, loan	$5,671 32	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, Federal Tax rebate, Ford	35 94	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, Federal Tax rebate, Marmon Herrington	39 67	
Town of Strong, hire	1,778 39	
		$7,525 32
Expended		
Pittsfield Motor Sales, purchase of equipment	$5,671 32	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, truck supplies	81 44	
Currier Insurance Agency, policy	94 55	
Strong Motor Service, gas, service	343 35	
Edgar Walker, rent of garage	30 00	
Horn Motors, parts, service	116 70	
Starbird's Garage, parts, service	46 26	
Pleasant St. Garage, parts, service	33 50	
C. M. Richards, parts, service	104 87	
Morton Motor Co., lights	10 00	
Friend Motor Sales, supplies	2 70	
W. A. Dill, heater	12 00	
Diah Sweet, gas	3 16	
E. L. Kingsley, payment on note	950 00	
E. L. Kingsley, interest on note	24 94	
		$7,524 79
Balance		$ 53

Due E. L. Kingsley, truck-plow Acct. note		$4,721 32

ABATEMENT OF TAXES

Appropriation		$2,500 00
Abatement (vote of town)	$2,678 00	
Other Abatements (see Collector's report)	61 81	
		$2,739 81
Overdraft		$239 81

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Appropriation		$400 00
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.		$427 41
Overdraft		$27 41

FORSTER BUILDING

Elizabeth Starbird, Treas., dividends	$1,350 01	
Tony and Juanita, rental	20 00	
Walt Goodie Family, rental	10 00	
Little Millie's Show, rental	10 00	
Aurora Grange, rental	5 00	
Strong Local No. 497, rental	8 00	
Department of Agriculture, rental	2 00	
State of Maine, rental State Guard	200 00	
		$1,605 01
Expended		
Maine Consolidated Power Co., lights, etc.	$114 89	
A. N. Kennedy, Janitor	200 55	
H. B. Jennings, Janitor	599 14	
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	341 69	
Hugh Allen, fuel	33 00	
Farrow's Grocery, supplies	12 15	
Percy Spaulding, trucking	4 00	
Strong Water District, service	14 60	

A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	$ 76	
Col. Internal Revenue, withholding tax	4 60	
Dan Abbott, trucking	3 00	
Harley Raymond, trucking	2 00	
Roger Robinson, lawn mower service	3 00	
M. B. Richardson, lawn mower service	1 00	
Maude Hillier, labor	14 00	
Herbert Morey, labor	5 00	
J. W. Wade, piano service	3 50	
J. A. Lambert, labor	1 50	
R. D. Norris, supplies	1 02	
L. R. Lewis, supplies	75	
		$1,360 15
Balance		$244 86

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	$700 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.	8 50	
Harold McCleary	4 00	
		$712 50

Expended	
Maine Consolidated Power Co., lights	$ 13 70
Stanley Reynolds, labor	15 00
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	18 94
Currier Insurance Agency, insurance	149 00
Strong Motor Service, supplies	75
Eastern Fire Equipment Co., supplies	19 32
Farmington Oil Co., fuel	3 09
Franklin Farmers' Tel. Co., phone service	16 62
J. E. Winslow, supplies	14 88
Morton Motor Co., chains	16 00
L. R. Lewis, supplies	1 05
G. E. Marden, expense	9 25
Western Auto Associate Store, supplies	16 25
Strong Wood Turning Corp., service	75

A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	$ 5 25	
Payroll	211 00	
		$510 82
Balance		$201 68

TOWN DUMP

Appropriation		$35 00
Expended		
Strong Wood Turning Corp.		10 00
Balance		$25 00

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945		$82 75
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children	$47 00	
Transferred to State Aid Patrol	1 58	
Transferred to Winter Roads	34 17	
		$82 75

BLISTER RUST

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 30	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$100 30
Expended		
Herbert Colby	$20 03	
Byron Bowie	28 05	
Clarence Goodwin	32 06	
Col. of Internal Revenue, Withholding tax	19 00	
		$99 14
Balance		$1 16
Transferred to Winter Roads		1 16

Under the Blister Rust Program in 1945 a total of 662 acres were worked, the Federal Government participated to the extent of $301.24.

EXCISE TAX

Balance from 1944 Tax	$ 30 21	
H. B. Jennings, Col., 1945 Tax	1,227 07	
		$1,257 28
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.	$ 92 50	
R. L. Files and H. J. O'Keefe, sander	100 00	
		$192 50
		$1,064 78
Applied on 1945 Commitment		780 98
		$283 80
Transferred to Maint. Unimproved Roads	$ 28 70	
Roads and Bridges	61 63	
State Patrol (Route 4)	67 30	
Town Charges	6 93	
State Aid Patrol	33	
Winter Roads	118 91	
		$283 80

INTEREST

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 9 06	
Appropriation	300 00	
		$309 06
Expended		
H. R. Welch	$82 41	
E. L. Kingsley	52 50	
H. N. Luce	47 60	
		$182 51
Balance		$126 55

TEMPORARY LOANS

Apr. 6, E. L. Kingsley	$2,000 00	
May 3, H. R. Welch	2,000 00	
		$4,000 00

Expended		
Aug. 31, H. R. Welch	$2,000 00	
Jan. 4, E. L. Kingsley	2,000 00	
		$4,000 00

TOWN DEBT — NOTES PAYABLE FEB. 15, 1945

H. R. Welch	$1,500 00	
H. N. Luce	1,360 10	
		$2,860 10
Appropriated		$1,000 00
Expended		
H. R. Welch		$1,000 00
Town Debt, Feb. 15, 1946	$1,860 10	

COUNTY AND STATE TAXES

County Assessment	$1,379 20	
State Assessment	4,568 48	
		$5,947 68

Expended		
County Treasurer	$1,379 20	
State Treasurer	4,568 48	
		$5,947 68

STATE PATROL — SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation	$673 00

Expended		
State of Maine	$269 20	
State of Maine	471 10	
		$740 30
Overdraft		$67 30
Transferred from Excise Tax		67 30

NOTE: The last Legislature increased the town's share of cost $10.00 per mile, which increase for 6.73 miles, represents the overdraft of $67.30.

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriation		$235 50
Expended		
State of Maine		$346 00
Overdraft		$110 50
Transferred from Section 18 Road	$50 55	
Excise Tax	33	
Dog License refund	58 04	
Civilian Defense	1 58	
		$110 50

NOTE: The last legislature abolished Section 18 and classified it as part of the State Aid System. At the same time it increased the town's share of cost of State Aid Patrol $10.00 per mile. The overdraft of $110.50 reflects the $10.00 per mile increase as applied to the larger mileage created by the consolidation.

SECTION 18 ROAD

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 55	
Appropriation	50 00	
		$50 55
Transferred to State Aid Patrol		50 55

INSURANCE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 49 10	
Appropriation	500 00	
		$549 10
Expended		
Eustis Insurance Agency	$412 50	
Currier Insurance Agency	67 40	
		$479 90
Balance		$69 20

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	$100 00
Expended	
Treasurer of State (Sadie L. Thompson)	$147 00
Overdraft	$47 00
Transferred from Civilian Defense	47 00

SUPPORT OF POOR (TOWN)

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$152 44	
Appropriation	150 00	
Balance		$302 44

STATE POOR — FREEMAN

Due from State of Maine Feb. 15, 1945		$172 85
Expended		
James Black		
First National Stores, provisions	$145 87	
Forster Manufacturing Co. Inc., fuel	65 00	
		$210 87

N. H. Littlefield

Dr. C. J. Dunlap, medical services	$55 00	
Gertrude Richards, rent	25 00	
E. L. Kingsley, provisions	58 64	
		$138 64
F. A. Richardson, Overseer		25 00
		$547 36
Received from State of Maine		382 85
Due from State of Maine, Feb. 15, 1946		$164 51

OTHER TOWN'S POOR (Living in Freeman)

Hazen Nile

Cecil A. Knapp, expense	$ 8 00	
Harris & Knapp, supplies	3 91	
Central Me. General Hospital, services	99 17	
Harold Hutchins, provisions	52 49	
		$163 57

Anthony LeClaire

First National Stores, provisions	$9 62
	$173 19

Pauper Residences of Nile and LeClaire not determined.

Old Accounts, probably not collectable	22 01
	$195 20

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	$798 00
Expended	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	$778 17
Balance	$19 83

HYDRANT RENTAL

Appropriation		$518 40
Expended		
Strong Water District		$518 40

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation		$434 48
Expended		
Francis Malcolm		$434 48

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation		$200 00
Expended		
L. D. Moody, D. O.		$200 00

LIBRARY

Appropriation	$100 00	
State of Maine, stipend	10 00	
		$110 00
Expended		
Elizabeth Starbird, Treas.		$110 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	$25 00
Expended	
Fred L. Johnson Post No. 78	$25 00

SIDEWALKS

Appropriation	$50 00

Not expended because of labor shortage.

CEMETERY — NEW SECTION

Appropriation		$300 00
Expended		
Fred Taylor	$96 00	
F. A. Richardson	8 30	
Henry Grover	18 65	
Ivan Richardson	16 45	
Edgar Walker	5 90	
Milton Walker	6 90	
E. A. Richardson	9 80	
John Allen, truck	14 38	
Town of Strong, truck	26 25	
Town of Strong, rent of shovel	82 00	
Col. of Internal Revenue	4 50	
		$289 13
Balance		$10 87

CEMETERY — REGULAR

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$190 49	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$290 49
Expended		
Est. C. V. Starbird, lumber, etc.	$ 3 92	
Dan Abbott	37 70	
A. D. Pratt	10 25	
		$51 87
Balance		$238 62

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

Appropriation	$600 00
Expended	111 93
Balance	$488 07

For itemized expenditures see Superintendent's Report.

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945		$201 70	
Melzer Phillips, rent		129 00	
			$330 70
Expended			
Town of Strong, tax		$31 50	
Strong Water District, water service		5 00	
Est. C. V. Starbird, supplies		4 05	
Ernest Richards, labor and expense		37 50	
			$78 05
			$252 65
Due High School (previous accounts)	$70 90		
Due High School (1945 account)	25 47		
		$96 37	
Call of Clergy (previous accounts)	$130 80		
Call of Clergy (1945 account)	25 48		
		$156 28	
			$252 65

DOG LICENSE REFUND

Available (rebate from State of Maine)	$60 04
Expended	
H. B. Jennings, expense	2 00
	$58 04
Transferred to State Aid Patrol	58 04

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Available	$181 79
Transferred to Winter Roads	181 79

OVERLAY

Available	$313 64
Transferred to Winter Roads	313 64

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Forster Building

Currier Agency	$7,500 00	Nov. 11, 1946
Currier Agency	7,500 00	Nov. 11, 1946
Furniture and Fixtures	2,000 00	Nov. 11, 1946

School Building

Eustis Agency	$10,000 00	Jan. 28, 1949
Currier Agency	2,000 00	Oct. 29, 1948
Building and Fixtures		
Currier Agency	$5,500 00	Feb. 1, 1947
Currier Agency	2,500 00	Feb. 22, 1947

Fire Station

Eustis Agency	$1,000 00	Nov. 13, 1948
Eustis Agency	1,600 00	Mar. 17, 1948

Hitchcock House

Currier Agency	$1,000 00	Jan. 26, 1947

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ANDREW CHANDLER,
ALMON D. PRATT,

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor.

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1945

Commitment		$36,155 99
1945 Excise Tax applied		780 98
		$35,375 01
Supplementary Tax		175 79
		$35,550 80
Paid Treasurer	$32,711 51	
Abatements	2,739 81	
Uncollected 1945	99 48	
		$35,550 80
Uncollected Residents		
Pillsbury, Paul	$93 18	
Non-Residents		
Carlisle, T. C.	6 30	
		$99 48
Uncollected 1944		$298 80
Supplementary Tax		6 00
		$304 80
Transferred to Tax Liens	$166 20	
Paid Treasurer	132 00	
Uncollected	6 60	
		$304·80
Dunham, Alton	$3 00	
Melvin, Roscoe	3 60	
		$6 60

UNCOLLECTED 1943

Allen, Nora S.	$4 00	
Meadows, John L.	3 00	
Nile, Theron	3 25	
O'Donald, William	3 75	
		$14 00

UNCOLLECTED 1941

Allen, Nora S.		$6 50

ABATEMENTS 1945

Mitchell, Sherman, sold prior to Apr. 1	$ 31 50
Gilman, Charles, sold prior to Apr. 1	95
Eustis, Mae, no piano	3 15
Allen, Emma, no radio	95
Baker, Harland, paid in Stacyville	3 00
Burrill, Leslie, poor	3 00
Dennett, Howard, poor	3 00
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., vote of town	2,678 00
French, Harold, paid in Turner	3 00
Hammond, Stanley, poor	3 00
Hopkins, Frank, radio not here Apr. 1	63
Ladd, Carroll, paid in Jay	3 00
McCourt, Edward, paid in Freeman	3 00
Steward, Alton, in Army	63
Tibbetts, Emerson, paid in Rangeley	3 00

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1945 — FEB. 15, 1946

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$4,546 42
Received from State Treasurer	
Bank Stock Tax	7 54
Dog License refund	60 04
R. R. & Tel. Tax	46
School Fund	3,377 22
Tuition, Freeman	1,048 00
Department of Education, refund	34 30
Highway Account	
State Highway, snow	1,133 50
Maintenance Unimproved Roads	425 12
3rd Class Reconstruction	594 10
Library Stipend	10 00
Poor Account	382 85
Received from	
Town of New Vineyard, tuition	159 50
Mrs. Elmer C. Mason, tuition	27 00
Francis Malcolm, Supt., tuition	14 75
National Grange Mut. Liab. Co., dividend	3 37
Grand Old Opera, tent permit	5 00
Romuald Kornosevitz, refund	1 00
Town of Avon, snow removal	9 30
Strong Motor Service, road material	16 00
H. E. Kyes, County Treasurer, snow removal	91 89
Ministerial & School Fund, for school	25 00
Harold McCleary, 2 bombs, Fire Dept.	4 00
Forster Mfg. Co., service, Fire Dept.	8 50
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1944 tax liens	166 20
Rent Hitchcock house	129 00
David O. Lawry, license	1 00
Rent Forster Bldg.	255 00

Dividends, Forster Bldg.	$1,350 11	
E. L. Kingsley, temporary loans	2,000 00	
Hervey Welch, temporary loans	2,000 00	
E. L. Kingsley, truck and plow loan	5,671 32	
H. B. Jennings, 1943 tax liens	57 50	
H. B. Jennings, 1944 tax liens	166 20	
Costs	7 50	
H. B. Jennings, 1945 Excise tax	1,108 21	
H. B. Jennings, 1946 Excise tax	308 56	
H. B. Jennings, 1939 taxes	11 68	
H. B. Jennings, 1940 taxes	23 80	
H. B. Jennings, 1941 taxes	6 12	
H. B. Jennings, 1944 taxes	132 00	
Town of Strong, use General shovel	82 00	
State of Maine, refund	23 13	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, refund on truck tax	75 61	
Town of Strong, truck and plow earnings	1,778 39	
H. B. Jennings, 1945 taxes	32,711 51	
H. B. Jennings, abatements 1945	2,739 81	
Total		$62,799 41

Orders Paid		
Town Orders	$51,863 79	
State Tax	4,568 48	
County Tax	1,379 20	
State Treasurer, Retirement Fund	322 17	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1946	4,665 77	
		$62,799 41

The School and Gymnasium Building Fund has grown during the past year due to the fact that donations from the high school graduates since the first graduation, and citizens of the town plus $2,500.00 transferred from the C. H. Mallory future tax fund, $3,000.00 donated by Forster Mfg. Co., Inc. and an additional $500.00 from C. H. Mallory.

The $250.00 C. H. Mallory Gymnasium Fund has been transferred to Town of Strong School and Gymnasium Fund.

On deposit in Franklin County Savings Bank from all sources	$16,123 93	
Cash not deposited	235 00	
School and Gymnasium Total		$16,358 93
On deposit Franklin County Savings Bank Charles H. Mallory Special Account		$1,750 00

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

	Debits	Credits
Cash	$214 77	$214 77
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G $2,000 00

BABBITT TRUST FUND

	Debits	Credits
Cash	$100 00	$100 00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Treasurer.*

Road Commissioner's Report

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	$2,500 00	
Town of Strong (Cemetery — new section)	82 00	
State of Maine	23 13	
R. Kornosevitz	1 00	
Strong Motor Service, tar and trucking	16 00	
		$2,622 13

EXPENDED

F. A. Richardson	$399 33
Henry Grover	206 49
Ivan Richardson	106 64
Edgar Walker	32 84
Leon Pillsbury	40 90
Paul Pillsbury	9 63
Edward Pillsbury	1 32
Andrew Chandler	4 00
E. A. Richardson	20 98
Earlon Walker	95 56
R. W. Howard	11 40
Milton Walker	5 33
Charles Takacs	3 30
Allen Scammon	55
James Welch	10 45
Dan Pratt	9 60
Metcalf Lumber Co., planks	64 35
Elwin Orcutt, planks	36 90
Est. C. V. Starbird, planks, supplies, blacksmith	418 75
John Allen, truck	1 25
Percy Spaulding, truck	23 75
Millard Parlin, truck	38 20

Strong Wood Turning Corp., trucks	$ 70 67	
Town of Strong, truck	561 50	
Eddie Koch, truck	3 00	
R. Kornosevitz, plow rental	1 00	
Ben Vining, team	13 88	
Charles Allen, team	58 85	
C. H. Mallory, team and truck	24 35	
E. A. Richardson, fence posts	9 00	
Verne Richardson, permit to fill cattle pass	10 00	
Brooks Hardware Co., supplies	2 00	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	33 79	
Edgar Walker, gravel	73 00	
New England Metal Culvert Co., drain pipes	18 80	
State of Maine, shovel	182 10	
Robert Worthley, tractor	5 00	
Collector of Internal Revenue, W. H. tax	69 30	
Miscellaneous	1 05	
		$2,683 76
Overdraft		$61 63
Transfer from Excise tax		61 63

THIRD CLASS RECONSTRUCTION

Expended

F. A. Richardson, foreman	$112 88
Henry Grover	112 01
Ivan Richardson	87 82
Edgar Walker	91 93
Edward Pillsbury	1 93
Milton Walker	27 91
E. A. Richardson	27 48
John Allen, truck	35 00
Est. C. V. Starbird, truck	52 53
Eddie Koch, truck	18 00
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	81 18
Town of Strong, truck	201 26
Edgar Walker, gravel	49 90
New England Metal Culvert Co., 4 culverts	127 69
Millard Parlin, truck	34 38

State of Maine, general shovel	$453 05	
Collector of Internal Revenue, W. H. tax	39 00	
		$1,553 95
Received — State of Maine		594 10
Balance to be paid from future Third Class Allotm'ts		$959 85

MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS

Expended

F. A. Richardson, foreman	$ 20 23	
Henry Grover	22 36	
Ivan Richardson	20 16	
Edgar Walker	20 75	
Milton Walker	13 31	
E. A. Richardson	10 58	
John Allen, truck	7 50	
Town of Strong, truck	46 25	
Eddie Koch, truck	15 75	
Millard Parlin, truck	45 84	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., trucks	94 55	
Frank Brahmer, truck	17 19	
State of Maine, general shovel	110 70	
Collector of Internal Revenue, W. H. tax	8 65	
		$453 82
Received — State of Maine		425 12
Overdraft		$28 70
Transfer from Excise tax		28 70

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$2,000 00	
State of Maine	1,133 50	
Town of Avon	9 30	
County of Franklin	91 89	
		$3,234 69

EXPENDED

Alfred Stefano	$515 00
Percy Spaulding	63 70
R. W. Howard	59 90
Percy Spaulding, truck	76 40
Cyrus Barker	37 10
Charles Allen, team	25 85
Herbert Durrell	7 60
Archie Snell	10 15
Norman Worthley	1 65
Donald Abbott	2 20
Earlon Walker	23 51
Milton Walker	49 48
Burnel Walker	44 80
Edgar Walker, labor, sand	91 94
E. A. Richardson	19 00
H. B. Jennings, labor, mileage	8 26
Ronald Neil	2 64
Andrew Chandler	3 30
Andrew Pratt	3 31
Ivan Richardson	184 78
Robert Plummer	41 58
Arthur Hanington	5 13
F. A. Richardson	315 33
Henry Grover	550 35
William Jennings	411 08
Gerald Flagg	8 00
Alfred Wood	5 40
Paul Pillsbury	11 40
F. E. Willard, supplies	2 20
Diah Sweet, supplies	2 18
Strong Motor Service, supplies	24 93
J. E. Winslow, supplies	11 59
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	18 95
Strong Wood Turning Corp., fuel	9 00
Knapp Welding Shop, welding	45 90
Farmington Welding Service, welding	4 00
Treasurer of State, fuel oil tax	25 72
Collector of Internal Revenue, W. H. tax	149 65
Ernest Richards	21 73

Eddie Goodwin	$ 12 90	
Percy Spaulding, rent	24 00	
Dan Abbott, wire	2 00	
Mabel Richardson, snow fence posts	10 50	
John Allen, truck	28 13	
Southwestern Petroleum Co., lubricants	220 60	
Wade and Dunton, snow fence	130 00	
Maine Central R. R., freight	8 50	
State of Maine, salt	43 20	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., parts	1 62	
Morton Motor Co., parts	25 30	
Western Auto Associate Store, parts	3 95	
Farmington Oil Co., fuel oil	56 91	
Perkins Machine Shop, welding	10 58	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	6 14	
Rangeley Lakes Express, charges	3 95	
Mallory Farms, team	13 20	
Turner and Hallowell, service	11 05	
Town of Strong, truck	884 63	
Currier Insurance Agency, policies	40 70	
Eastern Tractor and Equipment, parts	207 20	
Est. C. V. Starbird, truck, supplies, service	277 96	
Oscar Pillsbury	6 60	
Leon Pillsbury	2 75	
Maurice Walker	7 70	
		$4,934 86
		$1,700 17
Transferred from Civilian Defense	$ 34 17	
Transferred from Supplemental Tax	181 79	
Transferred from Overlay	313 64	
Transferred from Blister Rust	1 16	
Transferred from Excise Tax	118 91	
		$649 67
Overdraft		$1,050 50

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1945	$ 29 90	
Appropriation	228 00	
		$257 90

Expended

F. A. Richardson	$38 55	
Henry Grover	24 10	
R. W. Howard	3 75	
Ivan Richardson	10 65	
Earlon Walker	86	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	4 05	
Percy Spaulding, truck	5 60	
Est. C. V. Starbird, trucks	26 45	
Town of Strong, truck	57 50	
Edgar Walker, gravel	1 60	
Collector of Internal Revenue, W. H. tax	2 59	
		$175 70
Balance		$82 20

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation $533 00

No State Aid work during 1945 season.

ROAD INVENTORY

Tractor and Plow, Road Machine, Steel Road Drag, Log Drag Small tools as follows: crow bar, 2 grub hoes, 2 bush clippers, 2 bush snathes, 2 scythes, 2 picks, 4 shovels, 3 spades, sod fork, leaf work, catch basin spade, wire clippers.

F. A. RICHARDSON,

Commissioner.

School Department, Town of Strong

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee:

We are living in a changing world; our economic and social structures are changing; our educational system must change to meet new responsibilities. There was a time when the education of children was left to the individual's ability to pay. When the American public decided that all youth should be educated regardless of their parents' income a decision was made which affected our civilization. We now proceed on the assumption that our schools should prepare the individual to meet the social, economic, and political problems of an ever-changing world. All of our school activities should contribute to habits and attitudes which manifest themselves in integrity, law observance, and intelligent participation in civic affairs and American citizenship.

Higher education should provide different kinds of experiences for youth. The common academic program, while good for many, is not good for all. This is probably the chief reason why so many of our young folks leave school. Many of those who do not complete high school are manual in their abilities, and if they are to be retained the school must provide experiences at which they can succeed. Being manual in ability is no less respectable than being academic, although we are inclined to value academic abilities more highly. This implies that in our new school building which we hope to have in the near future we should revise our ideas as to what constitutes an education. Any activity which contributes to the growth and development of a boy or girl should be considered educative, and a respectable part of our school offerings. If we are to serve all our youth we must broaden our curriculum.

Although each town in the Union provided money for a Union music supervisor we were unable to secure one at the two-thousand-dollar salary which we offered. We hope to have more success with this project the coming year.

You will note that there is a sizeable unexpended balance in the Repairs Account. This is due to the fact that we were unable to get the roof of the school building painted and repaired at a cost within our appropriation and to secure workmen to make some minor repairs and changes which are deemed necessary. It is expected that help will be more plentiful the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS M. MALCOLM,

Superintendent of Schools.

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1946

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance	$ 491 24	
Appropriation	11,000 00	
Interest	25 00	
Tuition:		
High School	559 50	
Elem.	699 75	
Tuition, Accrued:		
Elem.	30 75	
State School Fund	3,377 22	
		$16,183 46

EXPENDITURES

Teachers' Salaries, H. S.	$5,008 96
Teachers' Salaries, Elem.	4,163 68
Conveyance, Board of Pupils	1,756 98

Janitors	$1,208 50	
Supplies	1,121 02	
Fuel	1,291 54	
Textbooks	315 31	
		$14,865 99
Unexpended		$1,317 47

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers' Salaries, H. S.

Harland L. Keay	$1,227 82	
Harold M. Karkos	1,297 29	
Vincent York	992 25	
Howard O. Sweet	295 12	
C. Paul Quimby	86 48	
Evelyn Chadbourne	1,110 00	
		$5,008 96

Teachers' Salaries, Elem.

Emma York	$1,074 91	
Ruth Morey	1,039 00	
Marianne Kennison	914 51	
Arlene Curtis	425 00	
Dorothy Scamman	560 00	
Vera Wing (Sec'y to Supt.)	150 26	
		$4,163 68

Conveyance, Board of Pupils

Erwin Toothaker	$684 00	
Bertha Hunter	305 00	
Philip Corey	380 00	
Emma York	123 90	
Lewis Brackley	204 00	
J. Blaine Morrison Agency	63 45	
		$1,760 35

Janitors

Elbert Bates	$650 00	
Lewis Brackley	480 00	
Zena Kingsley	20 00	
Ineza Day	16 00	
Jesse A. Phillips	22 50	
Stella Huff	20 00	
		$1,208 50

Supplies

J. L. Hammett Co.	$ 13 43
Diah Sweet	75
First National Stores	3 91
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	65
Zena Kingsley	4 57
J. L. Hammett Co.	202 00
Treasurer — State of Maine	2 00
First National Stores	1 67
West Disinfecting Co.	43 24
H. P. White & Co.	3 68
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	13 36
Maine Public Health Association	42
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	23 30
The Heyer Corporation	6 75
Ginn and Company	30 54
Farrow's Grocery	7 66
The Barton Press	21 14
Loring, Short & Harmon	37 93
E. L. Kingsley	50
L. R. Lewis	15 43
Howard and Brown	11 83
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	10 28
The Continental Press	7 20
The John C. Winston Co.	11 51
School Dept., Town of Phillips	13 82
Yale University Press	20 00
A. G. Eustis Estate	13 09
Harold M. Karkos	1 66

Harold Karkos, Principal S. H. S.	$ 8 93	
Earl J. Jones, Publisher	2 75	
Harland L. Keay	84	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	16 72	
Frank E. Willard	90	
Chicago Apparatus Co.	35 16	
Cambosco Scientific Co.	76 55	
Harland L. Keay	2 09	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	1 35	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	171 37	
Strong Water District	28 16	
World Almanac	85	
The Macmillan Co.	18 69	
Fred L. Tower Co.	8 00	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	12 95	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	64 81	
American Book Co.	20 94	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	57	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co.	32 56	
J. L. Hammett Co.	5 19	
Elbert Bates	7 30	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	3 04	
Elizabeth M. Starbird	2 00	
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	76 98	
		$1,121 02

Fuel

S. J. Luce Coal Co.	$1,158 63	
Strong Wood Turning Co.	15 50	
Mahlon Davidson	73 06	
Edgar Walker	4 35	
Raymond Langley	40 00	
		$1,291 54

Textbooks

Scott, Foresman & Co.	$127 54
American Book Co.	31 09
Row, Peterson & Co.	5 85

The Grade Teacher	$ 4 00	
The Continental Press	2 00	
F. E. Compton & Co.	70 94	
D. C. Heath & Co.	34 54	
Laidlaw Brothers	5 52	
The Manual Arts Press	2 59	
Ginn and Company	19 13	
A. S. Barnes & Co.	1 87	
Harold M. Karkos	6 24	
Edith Frost	4 00	
		$315 31

Repairs

A. G. Eustis Estate	$87 14	
C. B. Moody	3 47	
Ralph Eustis	1 75	
Est. of C. V. Starbird	14 47	
Herbert L. Morey	3 85	
Forster Mfg. Co.	1 25	
		$111 93

REPAIRS

Appropriation	$600 00
Expended	111 93
Unexpended Balance	$488 07

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1945.

	10-1-44 Balance	Int. & Prin. Added	Expended	10-1-45 Balance
E. K. Hitchcock				
A/c Methodist Church	$100 30	$2 01	$2 00	$100 31
A/c Congo Church	100 30	2 01	2 00	100 31
Cemetery	108 03	2 17	3 00	107 20
Town of Strong, Cemetery	100 08	2 01	2 00	100 09
Julia H. May, Cemetery	148 61	2 98	4 00	147 59
Florence Ranger, Cemetery	108 79	2 17	3 00	107 96
George Hitchcock, Cemetery	829 29	16 66	8 00	837 95
Hunter & Blithen, Cemetery	104 14	2 09	3 00	103 23
Daggett Bros., Cemetery	297 36	5 97	6 00	297 33
Charles A. Goldsmith, Cem.	105 62	2 11	3 00	104 73
Anna Bates Hunter, Cem.	104 92	2 09	3 00	104 01
Frederick E. Hardy, Cem.	100 51	2 01	2 00	100 52
Thayas F. Will, Cemetery	100 29	2 01	2 00	100 30
Dora A. Page, Cemetery	100 04	2 01	2 00	100 05
Lucy M. Sweet, Cemetery	100 52	2 01	2 00	100 53
Fred A. Page, Cemetery	50 16	1 00	1 00	50 16
Samuel Philbrick, Cemetery	75 35	1 51	1 50	75 36
George H. Allen, Cemetery	100 04	2 01	2 00	100 05
Lemuel & Thurza Crosby, Cemetery	100 04	2 01	2 00	100 05
William I. Smith, Cemetery	100 04	2 01	2 00	100 05
Izabelle N. Toothaker, Cem.	100 07	2 01	2 00	100 08
Emma & Flora Dodge, Cem.	100 44	2 01	2 00	100 45
Lizzie A. Waite, Cemetery	100 14	2 01	2 00	100 15
Gilman Trust Fund	100 65	2 01	2 00	100 66
George M. D. Will	100 04	2 01	2 00	100 05
Vining & Cates	100 86	2 01	2 00	100 87

	10-1-44 Balance	Int. & Prin. Added	Expended	10-1-45 Balance
Nellie F. Dyer	$100 22	$2 01	$2 00	$100 23
Rena B. Johnson	300 29	6 03	6 00	300 32
Ellen E. Spaulding	133 75	2 68	4 00	132 43
Harry G. & Ella M. Vining	101 24	2 03	2 00	101 27
Walker Fund	76 12	1 52	1 50	76 14
Gilman & Mitchell	151 27	3 03	3 00	151 30
Loring Hunter	100 22	2 01	2 00	100 23
H. O. Lisherness Est.	102 38	2 05	2 00	102 43
Maude B. Hillier	100 89	2 01	2 00	100 90
Lincoln A. & Viola C. Worthley	152 16	3 05	3 00	152 21
Edmond A. Goodwin	101 48	2 03	2 00	101 51
Silas Goodwin & Elsie Welch	101 48	2 03	2 00	101 51
U. G. & C. B. Weymouth	101 06	2 03	2 00	101 09
Jeremiah Porter	100 20	2 01	2 00	100 21
Etta & Clarence Nutting		101 49		101 49
Alexander P. & Emily Gould Porter		202 84		202 84
Mark & Delma Gray		104 29		104 29
Elias H. Porter		101 14		101 14
Charles M. Dickey		101 14		101 14
M. A. Will		100 64		100 64
Elmer Gray		75 23		75 23

The total of the Trust Funds $6,148 64

The above accounts are on deposit with the Maine Savings Bank at Portland, Maine; each account on a separate bank book.

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS
By the Trustees
J. E. Winslow, *President*
Diah Sweet
H. B. Daggett, *Sec. and Treas.*

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS
Portland, Maine

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Strong:

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1946 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion the appended statements fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1946.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
By R. M. MILLETT, C.P.A.

February 21, 1946

TOWN OF STRONG

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1945		February 15, 1946	
Cash		$4,546 42		$4,665 77
Savings Account — Special				1,750 00
Uncollected Taxes				
1945			$99 48	
1944	$298 80		6 60	
1943	14 00		14 00	
1941	12 62		6 50	
1940	23 80			
1939	11 68			
		360 90		126 58
Tax Deeds:				
1936	$33 25		$33 25	
Prior Years	43 60		43 60	
		76 85		76 85

Tax Liens:				
1943	$101 50		$44 00	
1942	44 00		44 00	
1941	45 76		45 76	
1940	83 46		83 46	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		$ 321 92		$ 264 42
Accounts Receivable:				
Out of Town Poor	$ 22 01		$195 20	
State Poor	172 85		164 51	
Highway			959 85	
Schools — Tuition			30 75	
		194 86		1,350 31
Deferred Appropriations and Overdrafts:				
Roads — Special	$1,500 00		$ 500 00	
Tractor Repair — Spec.	1,360 10		1,360 10	
Tractor & Plow — Spec.			4,720 79	
		2,860 10		6,580 89
		$8,361 05		$14,814 82

LIABILITIES

	February 15, 1945		February 15, 1946	
Notes Payable		$2,860 10		$6,581 42
Advance on Future Tax Assessments		2,500 00		1,750 00
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		118 86		308 56
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations:				
Town Officers	$249 43		$ 52 79	
Town Charges	181 88			

	February 15, 1945	February 15, 1946
Third Class Road	$ 29 90	$ 82 20
Gravel — Special	22 03	22 03
Section 18 Road	55	
Town Poor	152 44	302 44
Schools	491 24	1,317 47
Hitchcock House	201 70	252 65
Insurance	49 10	69 20
Civilian Defense	82 75	
White Pine Blister Rust	30	
Care of Cemeteries	190 49	238 62
Interest	9 06	126 55
Forster Building		244 86
Fire Department		201 68
Street Lighting		19 83
Care of Town Dump		25 00
State Aid Road Cons.		533 00
Sidewalks		50 00
Schoolhouse Repairs		488 07
Cemetery Grading		10 87
	$1,660 87	$4,037 26
	$7,139 83	$12,677 24
General Fund Surplus	1,221 22	2,137 58
	$8,361 05	$14,814 82

SPECIAL FUNDS

	February 15, 1945	February 15, 1946
Investments		
Franklin County Savings Bank		
Book No. 20828	$8,023 36	$16,358 93
Book No. 21229	250 00	
	$8,273 36	$16,358 93
Funds Held for Special Purposes:		
School and Gymnasium Fund	$8,273 36	$16,358 93

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	February 15, 1945	February 15, 1946
Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery	$5,458 83	$6,048 02
Church — Hitchcock	200 60	200 62
Church — Babbitt	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	210 30	214 77
	$5,969 73	$6,563 41
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$7,969 73	$8,563 41

LIABILITIES

Trust Fund Principal	$7,969 73	$8,563 41

Town Clerk's Report

In view of a recent law passed by the last legislature it is advised that birth and marriage records be omitted from the annual town report. The law restricts inspection of birth, marriage and death records to persons having a direct and tangible interest in them.

MARGUERITE L. NORRIS, *Town Clerk.*

DEATHS — STRONG

1945

Jan. 16 — At Strong, Maine, Herbert A. Winter, aged 67 yrs., 4 mos., 5 days.

Feb. 1 — At Strong, Maine, Edith Leora Libby, aged 22 yrs., 10 mos., 12 days.

Feb. 15 — At Strong, Maine, Franklin Perry Winter, aged 85 yrs., 8 mos., 13 days.

Feb. 28 — At Auburn, Maine, Charles S. Porter, aged 81 yrs., 10 mos., 4 days.

Mar. 5 — At Kingfield, Maine, Charles Winfield Stevens, aged 77 yrs., 9 mos., 26 days.

Mar. 19 — At Malden, Mass., Winslow S. Record, aged 86 yrs.

May 25 — At Farmington, Maine, Josephine M. Keay, infant.

Apr. 9 — At Strong, Maine, Elmer Gray, aged 77 yrs., 9 mos., 2 days.

May 17 — At Strong, Maine, Leonard Franklin Hutchins, aged 78 yrs., 1 mo., 14 days.

June 2 — At Strong, Maine, Charles B. Gilman, aged 68 yrs., 9 mos., 27 days.

June 10 — At Albion, Maine, Faustina Smith, aged 77 yrs.

June 26 — At Brunswick, Maine, Jennie Blake Burbank, aged 74 yrs., 4 days.

June 30 — At Strong, Maine, Blanch L. Beal, aged 58 yrs., 1 mo., 3 days.

July 23 — At Skowhegan, Maine, Adella E. Lambert, aged 68 yrs., 11 mos., 29 days.

1945

July 24 — At Corpus Christi, Texas, Harland Elmore Day, aged 24 yrs., 9 mos., 14 days.

Aug. 9 — At Rumford, Maine, Carolyn Margaret Crandall, aged 44 yrs., 9 mos., 24 days.

Oct. 14 — At Avon, Maine, Charles Wesley Cook, aged 85 yrs., 8 mos., 7 days.

Dec. 10 — At Strong, Maine, Clara E. Witham, aged 86 yrs., 29 days.

Dec. 12 — At Presque Isle, Maine, Harland J. Baker, aged 31 yrs., 2 mos., 17 days.

Dec. 18 — At Readfield, Maine, William Page Allen, aged 46 yrs., 22 days.

1946

Jan. 4 — At Farmington, Maine, Durwood A. McCourt, aged 32 yrs., 6 mos., 27 days.

Jan. 24 — At Farmington, Maine, Lizzie A. Kershner, aged 69 yrs., 8 mos., 9 days.

DEATHS — FREEMAN, MAINE

1945

Mar. 2 — At Kingfield, Maine, Harry C. Knapp, aged 67 yrs., 9 mos., 1 day.

Sept. 18 — At Freeman, Maine, Mary Annie Fish, aged 90 yrs., 9 mos., 26 days.

Sept. 25 — At Rumford, Maine, Gerald W. Oakes, aged 57 yrs., 5 mos., 24 days.

Fire Chief's Report

LIST OF FIRES FROM FEB. 15, 1945 - FEB. 15, 1946

Mar. 4, '45 — Chimney fire at Stubbs' house
April 1, '45 — Chimney fire at Urcil Lake's
April 8, '45 — Forest fire at Cecil Lisherness'
April 9, '45 — Horatio Luce house
April 12, '45 — Grass fire at White Church
April 12, '45 — Fire at Percy Cook's
April 15, '45 — Fred Beal's house at Phillips
April 21, '45 — Fire at Watson's house
April 21, '45 — Chimney fire at Wilson Neil's
April 24, '45 — Chimney fire at Gerald Flagg's
June 11, '45 — Chimney fire at Norman Snell's
June 1, '45 — Chimney fire at Mable Richardson's
June 21, '45 — Chimney fire at James Black's
Aug. 11, '45 — Fire at Town Dump
Aug. 15, '45 — Chimney fire at Fred Richardson's
Oct. 22, '45 — Chimney fire at Sherman Mitchell's
Oct. 23, '45 — Chimney fire at Charles Skillings'
Oct. 28, '45 — Chimney fire at Lee Peary's
Nov. 30, '45 — Chimney fire at C. H. Brackley's
Dec. 11, '45 — Chimney fire at Fred McLeary's
Dec. 11, '45 — Chimney fire at N. H. Worthley's
Dec. 13, '45 — Chimney fire at Eustis Store
Dec. 21, '45 — Chimney fire at School House
Dec. 26, '45 — Chimney fire at Wilson Neil's
Jan. 13, '46 — Chimney fire at Diah Sweet's
Jan. 14, '46 — Chimney fire at Mrs. Conant's
Jan. 29, '46 — Fire at Mayo house
Jan. 30, '46 — Chimney fire at Pratt house
Feb. 10, '46 — Chimney fire at Bradford Beal's
Feb. 15, '46 — Chimney fire at True Luce's
Feb. 15, '46 — Chimney fire at Charles Skillings'
Feb. 15, '46 — Chimney fire at Norris Store

G. E. MARDEN, *Fire Chief.*

Financial Report of Strong Public Library

Balance from 1944	$ 19 63	
Appropriation	100 00	
State Stipend	10 00	
Fines	27 55	
Dues, gifts, sales, etc.	30 20	
		$187 38

EXPENDED

Books, magazines	$178 62	
Postage, supplies	3 35	
		$181 97
Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946		$5 41

CIRCULATION

Books	4,975
Periodicals	564
	5,539

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. STARBIRD, *Treasurer.*

Report of School Physician

February 15, 1946

Citizens of Strong:

Physical examination of students near close of 1944-1945 School Year was made with findings as follows:

	Number Examined	Number needing attention to Eyes	Ears	Teeth	Throat
High School: (Including 8th Grade)	49	22	2	37	3
Grades below 8th:	139	44	4	75	28

Upon recheck in the fall it was found that parents' response to notification slips had been good, as most of the students had received needed professional attention during vacation months, making it possible to award 45 7-point certificates at that time.

Noting that teeth and eyes require considerable attention, it is hoped that parents will give them more consideration between now and the end of this school year.

Parents' consent to give smallpox vaccine, the Schick and Dick tests will be requested some time during the early spring months.

Please remember, smallpox vaccine confers an immunity, but the Schick and Dick tests are only to determine susceptibility to diphtheria and scarlet fever respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

School Physician.

Report of Health Officer

February 15, 1946

Citizens of Strong:

There has been no serious epidemic here during the last year and acute infectious diseases have been held to a minimum with perhaps the exception of the several cases of chicken pox recently.

Sewerage disposal in many instances has been improved and it is hoped that this will continue.

Inadequate drainage of stagnant surface waters in several places about town constitutes a menace to community health and combined effort on the part of those affected is badly needed.

Constructive criticism in regard to any condition that may impair health is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

Health Officer.

MUNICIPAL LIGHT AND WATER SERVICE
IN THE GAY 90's

Town of Strong

Annual Report

For 1946

DONATORS to
MEMORIAL SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM FUND

Forster Manufacturing Co. Inc.
Charles H. Mallory
Theodore Hodgkins
Strong Wood Turning Corp.
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brackley
F. A. Richardson
H. B. Jennings
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stacey
Mr. and Mrs. David O. Lawry
Mr. and Mrs. Roy McCourt
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lambert
Mary W. Davis
James W. Davis
Erwin E. Toothaker
Christine Richardson
Fred Daggett
Emma Allen
Earle L. Kingsley
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Norris
Mr. and Mrs. Hervey R. Welch
Mr. and Mrs. Reuel Norris
Howard O. Sweet
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mitchell
Mr. and Mrs. Diah Sweet
Mr. and Mrs. Willard Curtis
Mr. and Mrs. Verne Flood
Mrs. Edward Starbird
Ethel Rounds
Laurie Libby
Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Crocker
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Flagg
Clarice Dunham
Dorothy Worthley
Helen L. Newell
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Huff
Robert Huff
Etta Nutting
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Corey
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cox
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Probert
Bernard E. Marden
Earl G. Whiting
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Brown
Betty Sinden Drury
Lillian S. Salmon
Harold Hutchins
Richard M. Kingsley
Paul L. Worthley
Carl Worthley
George C. Norton
Leeman Haines
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Reed
Burchard A. Huff
Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Graffam
Mr. and Mrs. Philip W. Richards
Albert A. Ayotte
Frederick Gage
Mrs. James Sample
Phyllis Sample
Venard Sample
Freda E. Durrell
L. R. Lewis
Frank E. Spear
Mr. and Mrs. Almon D. Pratt
Romuald Kornosevitz
A. G. Eustis
Irene F. Luce
W. L. Kershner and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Marden

Ethelyn Welch
Dorris E. Newell
Winnie Savage
Clarence A. Tash
Frank Willard
Ruth W. Morey
Theone Fernald
Wilfred P. Sample
William F. Woodside

Contributions and Interest to Feb. 15, 1947	$21,682 17
Appropriation (1946)	1,000 00
	$22,682 17

Annual Report

OF THE

Municipal Officers

AND

Board of Education

OF THE TOWN OF

Strong, Maine

FOR THE FISCAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1947

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please preserve it and bring it to Town Meeting as no duplicate will be issued.

Farmington, Maine
The Knowlton & McLeary Co., Printers
1947

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor

F. A. RICHARDSON ANDREW J. CHANDLER

ALMON D. PRATT

Town Clerk

RAYMOND D. NORRIS

Treasurer

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Road Commissioner

ANDREW PRATT

Superintendent of Schools

ELLIOTT DIGGLE

School Committee

RALPH E. EUSTIS L. D. MOODY

VERNE FLOOD

Health Officer

L. D. MOODY, D. O.

Sexton

DANIEL ABBOTT

Sealer of Weights and Measures

STANLEY ALLEN

Fire Chief

G. E. MARDEN

Constables

HERVEY B. JENNINGS A. C. KINGSLEY

Truant Officer

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector

HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Town Warrant

County of Franklin, ss.

To Hervey B. Jennings, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said town on Monday, the third day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports of Town Officers and to take action thereon.

Art. 4. To fix compensation of Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Wages, Fuel, Janitor Service, Conveyance, Textbooks, Reference Books and School Supplies for desk and laboratory use, for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Repairs on Schoolhouses for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Salary of the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see when the Taxes shall be collected and made payable.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the Collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges, including gravel for Unimproved Roads for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for breaking Winter Roads in 1947-1948.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for State Aid Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 26, Chapter 20, R. S. of 1944.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) to be expended on True Hill to fill cuts, grade and otherwise facilitate snow removal work.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Third Class Maintenance in accordance with the provisions of Section 52, Chapter 20 of the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of seven hundred and forty dollars and thirty cents ($740.30) for the maintenance and snow removal work on State Highway (Route 4) as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for State Aid Patrol.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Interest on Temporary Loans and Town Debt.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the maintenance of the Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the services of the School Physician for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said funds to be expended under the direction of Johnson-Cox Post, No. 78, A. L.

Art. 29. To see whether or not the Town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95 of the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of the Town Dump for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate appraised by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Cemetery Maintenance for the ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for repair of Sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) to be set aside and credited to the School and Gymnasium Fund.

Art. 38. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to request the County of Franklin and State of Maine to participate in the construction of a new bridge near the residence of Harry Lisherness at such time as the present structure may be condemned as unsafe.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept gifts to the School and Gymnasium Fund made by individuals and business concerns during the fiscal year, in the amount of five thousand twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents ($5,027.50) and approve the action of the Selectmen in ordering this amount deposited in the Franklin County Savings Bank.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept the one hundred dollar bequest under the will of the late Estelle A. Bell, and in accordance with the terms of the will, create the Estelle A. Bell Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept two hundred dollars deposited with the Town Treasurer by C. Earle Richardson and

comply with his request by creating the David and Clara Richardson Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of fifteen dollars ($15.50) and fifty cents to pay for lime destroyed by gravel trucks turning in the field of Herbert Spaulding.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Taylor Hill School House lot and execute deeds for same.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of five hundred eighty-nine dollars and sixty cents ($589.60) to pay for the overdraft on School House Insurance made in accordance with the vote of the special town meeting.

Art. 45. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Aid to Dependent Children.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to rent another hydrant of the Strong Water District if one is installed at the corner at the residence of James M. Sample.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of six hundred dollars ($600.00) to pay T. R. Luce for land damage caused by change of location of highway, for fills made or drains installed on his property, this amount being full settlement of his claim as provided by a written agreement signed by the said T. R. Luce and the Selectmen of Strong.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of three hundred dollars ($300.00) to straighten approximately 300 feet of road between Takacs Pond and the residence of Edward Brauza.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) for the purpose of sanding streets and winter roads.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to pay the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen five hundred dollars ($500.00) per year.

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to reopen the road from the residence of Earle Smith to the turn on Taylor Hill near the site where the farm buildings of F. Verne Richardson formerly stood.

Art. 52. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Burbank Hill Road from the farm buildings of Charles H. Lisherness to the Avon town line.

Art. 53. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road from the farm buildings of Percy and Melvin Spaulding to the end of said road near the site where the buildings on the William Albee place, so-called, formerly stood.

Art. 54. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 18, 1947.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
ANDREW J. CHANDLER,
ALMON D. PRATT,

Selectmen of Strong.

APPROPRIATIONS — TOWN MEETING 1946

		1947 Budget Recommendations
Elementary and Secondary Schools	$12,000 00	$13,000 00
Repairs on School House	250 00	100 00
Supt. of Schools	434 48	575 00
Town Charges	3,000 00	425 00
Abatements		100 00
Summer Roads and Bridges	2,750 00	2,500 00
$250 of this S. Strong Road		
Winter Roads	3,000 00	3,000 00
State Aid Road	533 00	799 50
Third Class Maintenance	228 00	400 00
State Patrol	740 30	740 30
State Aid Patrol	346 00	374 80
Collection of Taxes	450 00	450 00
Town Debt	500 00	1,000 00
Interest	100 00	160 00
Hydrants	518 40	537 60
Street Lights	778 17	798 00
Town Officers	775 00	790 00
Fire Dept.	500 00	600 00
Support of Poor	100 00	150 00
School Physician	200 00	200 00
Memorial Day	25 00	15 00
Public Library	100 00	100 00
Insurance	150 00	50 00
Town Dump	15 00	45 00
Cemetery (Old Section)	100 00	500 00
Cemetery (New Section)	400 00	
Leon Pillsbury Road	250 00	
Sidewalks	100 00	200 00
Tarvia on Hutchins Hill Road	300 00	
Veteran's Service Center	250 00	
Overdrafts	1,317 72	589 60
School Gymnasium Fund	1,000 00	1,000 00
Aid to Dependent Children		225 00
T. R. Luce, land damage		600 00
Total	$31,211 07	

Assessors' Department

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENTS 1946

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	$370,585 00	$156,288 00	$526,873 00
Non-Resident	23,700 00	14,349 00	38,049 00
	$394,285 00	$170,637 00	$564,922 00

Appropriations made at Town Meeting	$31,211 07	
State Tax	4,568 48	
County Tax	1,379 20	
Overlay	531 39	
Total		$37,690 14
Less Excise Tax Collections		1,127 20
Amount Assessed		$36,562 94

Assessed (Rate $6.30 per $100.00)		
Assessed on Real and Personal Property	$35,590 94	
324 Polls at $3.00 (No. Polls not taxed 38)	972 00	
Original Commitment		$36,562 94
Supplementary Taxes		74 15
Final Commitment		$36,637 09

Real Estate Classified

Land	$116,605 00
Buildings	277,680 00
Total	$394,285 00

Personal Property Classified

Taxable Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Av. Value	Total Value
Horses	106	$124 00	$13,010 00
Colts	2	60 00	120 00
Steers, Oxen, etc. (over 18 mo.)	40	33 00	1,310 00
Milk Cows	262	35 00	9,156 00
Heifers (over 2 yrs.)	50	28 00	1,423 00
Heifers (18 mos.-2 yrs.)	59	19 00	1,150 00
Sheep	18	4 00	72 00
Swine	8	8 00	64 00
Domestic Fowl	168	1 00	168 00
			$26,473 00

Exempt Livestock and Poultry			
Cattle (under 18 mos.)	146	$11 00	$1,698 00
Sheep	244	5 00	1,235 00
Swine	35	10 00	385 00
Domestic Fowl	1,046	1 00	1,046 00
			$4,364 00

Other Personal Property	
Stock in Trade	$16,724 00
Logs	4,600 00
Lumber	16,140 00
Gas Pumps and Attachments	1,825 00
Musical Instruments	3,675 00
Radios	3,700 00
Furniture	6,725 00
Finished Product in Mills	35,075 00
Tractors	2,330 00
Machinery and Equipment	36,000 00
Other Property	17,370 00
	$144,164 00
Taxable Livestock (brought forward)	26,473 00
Total	$170,637 00

Industrial and Utility Property	No.	
Light and Power Companies	2	$ 8,500 00
Saw Mills	2	2,000 00
Wood Working Mills	2	13,500 00
Other Industrial Companies	1	28,400 00

PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

Schoolhouse	$20,000 00
School Property	16,000 00
Fire Station, Truck	3,800 00
Town Safe	200 00
Road Machine	200 00
Forster Building	30,000 00
Endowment Fund	70,000 00
Tractor and Plow	4,000 00
Truck and Plow	4,500 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Department

TOWN CHARGES — ABATEMENTS

Appropriation	$3,000 00	
State of Maine, widow of Veteran	100 00	
State of Maine, Bank stock tax and R. R. & Tel. tax	20 09	
Richardson and McIntire, license	1 00	
Keith Berry, 1946 and 1947 licenses	20 00	
		$3,141 09

Expended

H. B. Jennings, office supplies, night watch	$ 16 16
Florice Pratt, typing	4 00
A. C. Kingsley, night watch	4 00
G. E. Marden, night watch	4 00
Phyllis Sample, supplies	1 20
L. R. Lewis, supplies	11 80
Knowlton & McLeary Co., town reports, supplies	161 16
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	10 75
Marks Printing House, supplies	28 69
F. A. Richardson, postage and supplies	5 25
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	55
Farmington Auto Body and Sign Co., labor, mat.	96 00
Maine Municipal Association	35 00
Franklin Farmers Coop. Tel. Co., service	10 52
Peoples National Bank, service charges, supplies	11 51
Millett, Fish & Dresser, audit	125 00
William Johnson, bear bounty	10 00
Edythe Richards, ballot clerk	8 00
Lura Cox, ballot clerk	4 00
Minnie Allen, ballot clerk	4 00
Jennie Pratt, election clerk	8 00

Gladys Luce, election clerk	$ 8 00	
B. D. Moore, light fixtures for office	28 42	
		$596 01
Available for Abatements		$2,545 08
Abatement		60 94
		$2,484 14
Transfer to Valley Brook Bridges Account (Special meeting)	$2,438 69	
Transfer to High and Elementary Schools	1 28	
		$2,439 97
		$44 17

HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Available		$17,814 55
Expended		16,547 19
		$1,267 36
Transfer from Excise Tax — W. H. Tax Adjust.	$38 03	
Transfer from Supt. of Schools — W. H. Tax Adj.	2 71	
Transfer from Town Charges — W. H. Tax Adj.	1 28	
Applied 1945 Tax (not appropriated, not assessed)	6 00	
		$48 02
Balance		$1,315 38

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

Available	$738 07
Expended	263 99
Balance	$474 08

INTEREST

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$126 55	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$226 55
Expended		
Almon D. Pratt	$ 88	
H. R. Welch	101 35	
H. N. Luce	47 60	
		$149 83
Balance		$76 72

TEMPORARY LOANS

Loans	$4,500 00
Paid	4,500 00

TOWN DEBT

Appropriation	$500 00
Expended	
H. R. Welch	$500 00

NOTES OUTSTANDING FEB. 15, 1947

Tractor	$1,360 10	
Truck and Plow	4,721 32	
Valley Brook Bridges	3,300 00	
		$9,381 42

FORSTER BUILDING

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 244 86
Interest on Trust Funds	2,236 17
State of Maine, rent of Armory	200 00
Harold Karkos, rent	10 00
Aurora Grange, rent	12 00
Ray Little, rent	10 00
Dixie Hayride, rent	10 00
Ken Mackenzie, rent	20 00

Sons of the South, rent	$15 00	
Strong Local No. 247, rent	8 00	
Town of Strong, fire extinguisher (school)	17 53	
		$2,783 56

Expended

A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	$ 51 88	
L. R. Lewis, supplies	1 15	
Farrow's Grocery, supplies	5 33	
E. L. Kingsley, supplies	48	
Eastern Fire Equip. Co., supplies	52 60	
Herbert Morey, plumber	12 00	
Roger Robinson, mowers	4 50	
C. F. Thompson, piano	6 00	
Zena Kingsley, labor	3 50	
Maude Hellier, labor	3 00	
James Lambert, labor	1 00	
Andrew Pratt, labor	7 13	
Me. Con. Power Co.	121 38	
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	408 98	
A. N. Kennedy, janitor	160 00	
H. B. Jennings, janitor and supplies	667 95	
Currier Insurance Agency	586 40	
Strong Water District	14 60	
		$2,107 88
Balance		$675 68

TRUCK AND PLOW

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 53	
Roy Graffam, use of truck	1 00	
W. H. Curtis, use of truck	3 00	
Albert Ayotte, use of truck	1 00	
Andrew Pratt, use of truck	56 00	
County of Franklin, use of truck	125 70	
Town of Strong, use of truck	1,960 90	
		$2,148 13

Expended

Currier Insurance Agency	$ 90 55	
E. L. Kingsley, interest	165 25	
Edgar Walker, rent	60 00	
Andrew Pratt, service	27 00	
Est. C. V. Starbird, service	3 00	
Elm Crest Garage, service	656 67	
H. B. Jennings, service	15 28	
Alfred Stephano, service	126 90	
Horn Motors, service	160 86	
Friend Motor Sales, service	8 65	
Ford and Smiley, service	14 73	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, service	141 75	
Strong Motor Service, service, gas and oil	95 11	
Forster Mfg. Co. Inc., service, tires	137 10	
North End Store, service, gas and oil	154 16	
J. E. Winslow, service, gas and oil	345 20	
E. L. Kingsley, gas	1 05	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., gas	4 23	
		$2,207 49
Expense in excess of Receipts		$59 36

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$201 68	
Appropriation	500 00	
Town of Avon, fire call	16 50	
Town of Phillips, fire call	31 00	
State of Maine, fire call (Freeman)	19 00	
Town of New Vineyard, fire call	66 00	
Grangie Marden, heater	40 00	
Town of Madrid, fire extinguisher	31 03	
Town of Avon, fire extinguisher	31 03	
		$936 24

Expended

A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	$ 9 62
Justin A. McCarthy Co., supplies	65
L. R. Lewis, supplies	3 15

Eastern Fire Equip. Co., supplies	$ 63 19	
Blanchard Associates, Inc., supplies	26 83	
J E. Winslow, supplies	21 71	
G. E. Marden, heater	40 00	
Tom's Oil Burner Service, heater	119 00	
Farmington Oil Co., fuel	57 07	
Maine Con. Power Co., lights	14 98	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co., phone	17 58	
Currier Insurance Agency, policy	149 00	
Payroll	306 50	
		$829 28
Balance		$106 96

TOWN OFFICERS

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 52 79	
Appropriation	775 00	
		$827 79
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Treas. Cemetery Trust Funds	$ 25 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer	200 00	
F. A. Richardson, Selectman	250 00	
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00	
A. D. Pratt, Selectman	125 00	
R. D. Norris, Town Clerk	52 50	
H. B. Jennings, Attendance Officer	3 00	
A. C. Kingsley, Constable	5 00	
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00	
R. E. Eustis, School Committee	10 00	
L. D. Moody, School Committee	10 00	
Verne Flood, School Committee	10 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. M. and S. Fund	5 00	
Daniel Abbott, Sexton	5 00	
		$845 50
Overdraft		$17 71
Transfer from Overlay		17.71

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation		$434 48
Expended		
Francis Malcolm	$197 13	
Elliott A. Diggle	234 64	
		$431 77
		$2 71
Transfer to School Account		2 71

STATE POOR — FREEMAN

Due from State of Maine Feb. 15, 1946		$164 51
James Black		
First National Stores, provisions	$63 26	
Department of Health and Welfare, refund	5 07	
		$68 33
		$232 84
Received from State of Maine	$79 85	
Received from James Black, refund	5 07	
		$84 92
Due from State of Maine Feb. 15, 1947		$147 92

OTHER TOWN'S POOR

Hazen Nile (living in Freeman)		
Expended to Feb. 15, 1946	$163 57	
Expended in 1946	65 55	
		$229 12
Received from Town of Rangeley		229 12
Clarence Merchant		
Expended		$136 75
Received from Town of New Vineyard		136 75

Theron Nile

Expended		$774 15
Received from Town of Rangeley		774 15

Anthony LeClair

(Pauper Residence not determined)

Expended to Feb. 15, 1946	$ 9 62	
Expended in 1946	22 50	
		$32 12
Old Accounts, 1940, '41, '42		$22 01
Transferred from Town Poor Account		22 01

TOWN POOR

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$302 44	
Appropriation	100 00	
Expended		$402 44

Mr. X

Town of Litchfield		71 43
		$331 01

Account of Mr. X given Currier Holman for Collection

Received on Account		19 34
		$350 35
Transferred to Other Town's Poor (old accounts)	$22 01	
Transferred to Aid to Dependent Children	72 00	
		$94 01
Balance		$256 34

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Expended

State of Maine (children of Frank A. Jr. and Eleanor Brouza)	$72 00
Transferred from Town Poor Account (vote of Town)	72 00

SUMMER ROADS AND BRIDGES

Available		$3,095 80
Expended		3,205 69
Overdraft		$109 89
Transferred from Overlay		109 89

WINTER ROADS

Available		$4,138 45
Expended		4,569 04
Overdraft		$430 59
Transferred from Supplementary	$ 25 46	
Transferred from 1946 Excise	405 13	
		$430 59

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Available		$310 20
Expended		427 32
Overdraft		$117 12
Transferred from Overlay	$68 43	
Transferred from Supplementary	48 69	
		$117 12

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Available		$3,549 65
Expended		3,555 90
Overdraft		$6 25
Transferred from Overlay		6 25

MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS

Available		$415 85
Expended		415 85

PILLSBURY ROAD

Available		$250 00
Expended		249 95
Balance		$ 05

HUTCHINS HILL ROAD

Available	$300 00
Expended	222 67
Balance	$77 33

STATE PATROL — SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation	$740 30
Expended	
State of Maine	$740 30

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriation	$346 00
Expended	
State of Maine	$374 80
Overdraft	$28 80
Transfer from Overlay	28 80

THIRD CLASS RECONSTRUCTION — LAMBERT HILL — 1945

Amount paid in excess of Appropriation		$959 85
Applied 1946 State of Maine allotment	$623 49	
Transfer from 1946 Excise Tax	336 36	
		$959 85

VALLEY BROOK BRIDGES AND HIGHWAY

Loan (authorized by vote of Town)	$5,676 30
Expended	
State Treasurer	$5,676 30

In accordance with voted authorization of special Town Meeting available funds were transferred from the Abatement Account.

E. L. Kingsley	$1,576 30	
L. R. Lewis	800 00	
		$2,376 30
Outstanding Bridge Notes on Feb. 15, 1947		$3,300 00

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$252 65	
Melzer Phillips, rent	129 00	
		$381 65
Expended		
Town of Strong, tax	$31 50	
Strong Water District, service	5 00	
Est. C. V. Starbird, roofing	33 84	
Currier Insurance Agency, policy	10 20	
		$80 54
Balance		$301 11
Due High School (previous accounts)	$96 37	
Due High School (1946 account)	24 23	
		$120 60
Call of Clergy (previous accounts)	$156 28	
Call of Clergy (1946 account)	24 23	
		$180 51
		$301 11

LIBRARY

Appropriation	$100 00	
State of Maine, stipend	10 00	
		$110 00
Expended		
Elizabeth Starbird, Treas.		$110 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	$25 00
Expended	
Fred L. Johnson Post	10 00
Balance	$15 00

VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER

Appropriation	$250 00
John Somers, Treas.	250 00

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	$200 00
Expended	
Dr. L. D. Moody	$200 00

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Appropriation	$450 00
Expended	
H. B. Jennings, Col.	438 92
Balance	$11 08

EXCISE TAX — 1946

H. B. Jennings, Collections		$2,031 72
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.	$123 00	
Branham Printing Co., excise supplies	2 00	
		$125 00
		$1,906 72
Applied on 1946 commitment		1,127 20
		$779 52
Transfer to Third Class Reconstruction	$336 36	
Transfer to Winter Roads	405 13	
Transfer to High and Elementary Schools	38 03	
		$779 52

EXCISE TAX — 1947

H. B. Jennings, collections to Feb. 15, 1947	$360 36
Available for 1947 Fiscal Year	

OVERLAY

Overlay	$531 39	
Transfer from Pillsbury Road Account	05	
Transfer from Special Gravel	22 03	
Available		$553 47
Applied to Roads and Bridges	$109 89	
Applied to Third Class Maintenance	68 43	
Applied to State Aid	6 25	
Applied to Cemetery (new section)	320 29	
Applied to Town Officers	17 71	
Applied to State Aid Patrol	28 80	
		$551 37
Balance		$2 10

SUPPLEMENTARY TAX

Available		$74 15
Applied to Winter Roads	$25 46	
Applied to Third Class Maintenance	48 69	
		$74 15

SIDEWALKS

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 50 00	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$150 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson	$58 70	
Edgar Walker	82 08	
Col. of Internal Revenue	6 90	
Andrew Pratt	75	
Town of Strong, truck	1 25	
		$149 68
Balance		$ 32

CEMETERY — NEW SECTION

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 10 87	
Appropriation	400 00	
Fred Taylor	1 50	
		$412 37
Expended		
F. A. Richardson	$178 11	
Edgar Walker	117 81	
Ivan Richardson	73 93	
Donald Abbott	31 95	
Andrew Pratt	26 15	
Bernell Walker	7 95	
Alden Gage	5 85	
Richard Fellis	3 00	
Vernon Voter	3 00	
C. H. Lisherness	3 00	
Est. C. V. Starbird, lumber	5 61	
Town of Strong, truck	43 75	
E. A. Richardson, with team	186 11	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck, bull dozer	370 00	
Col. of Internal Revenue	41 65	
		$1,097 87
Overdraft		$685 50
Transferred from Cemetery Fund Account	$365 21	
Transferred from Overlay Account	320 29	
		$685 50

CEMETERY — OLD SECTION

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$238 62
Appropriation	100 00
E. C. Baker, lot	15 00
Bertha Huff, lot	15 00
Marguerite Sample, lot	15 00
Sadie Thompson, lot	8 00

M. and L. Stevens, lot	$15 00	
Est. C. V. Starbird, pine logs	16 70	
		$423 32
Expended		
Daniel Abbott	$33 75	
Andrew Pratt	5 25	
F. A. Richardson	5 25	
Town of Strong, truck	3 75	
Est. C. V. Starbird, lumber	7 81	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	2 30	
		$58 11
		$365 21
Transfer to New Section		365 21

COUNTY AND STATE TAXES

County assessments	$1,379 20	
State assessment	4,568 48	
		$5,947 68
Expended		
County Treasurer	$1,379 20	
Treasurer of State	4,568 48	
		$5,947 68

HYDRANTS

Appropriation	$518 40
Expended	
Strong Water District	$518 40

STREET LIGHTS

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 19 83	
Appropriation	778 17	
		$798 00
Expended		
Maine Consolidated Power Co.		$798 00

TOWN DUMP

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$25 00	
Appropriation	15 00	
		$40 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson	$10 62	
Forster Manufacturing Co. Inc., bulldozer	10 00	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., bulldozer	12 50	
		$33 12
Balance		$6 88

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Est. Estelle A. Bell	$100 00	
C. Earle Richardson	200 00	
		$300 00
Paid H. B. Jennings, Treas. Cemetery Trustees		$300 00

INSURANCE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 69 20	
Appropriation	150 00	
		$219 20
Expended		
Eustis Insurance Agency	$269 60	
Currier Insurance Agency	539 20	
		$808 80
Overdraft		$589 60

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Forster Building

Currier Insurance Agency, Oct. 30, 1949	$11,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Oct. 30, 1949	10,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, contents, Nov. 11, 1949	2,000 00

Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 11, 1949	$7,500 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 11, 1949	7,500 00
	$37,000 00

SCHOOL BUILDING

Eustis Insurance Agency, Jan. 28, 1949	$10,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Oct. 29, 1948	2,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 23, 1949	3,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 23, 1949	5,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency, contents, Nov. 25, 1949	8,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Feb. 1, 1950	5,500 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Feb. 22, 1950	2,500 00
	$36,000 00

FIRE STATION

Eustis Insurance Agency, Nov. 13, 1948	$1,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency, contents, Mar. 17, 1948	1,600 00
	$2,600 00

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Currier Insurance Agency, Jan. 26, 1950	$1,000 00

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1946 — FEB. 15, 1947

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$4,665 77
Received from State Treasurer	
Bank Stock Tax	7 71
R. R. and Tel. Tax	12 38
School Fund	3,310 58
Refund (Fish)	100 00
Tuition, Freeman	1,076 50
Highway Account	
State Highway, Snow	1,133 50
State Aid	2,481 55
Rural Roads	371 35
3rd Class Reconstruction	623 49
Library Stipend	10 00
Poor Account	84 92
Received from	
Town of New Vineyard, tuition	59 50
Francis Malcolm (tuition O'Connell)	9 00
Annie B. Mason, tuition	27 75
Maine Central R. R.	4 95
Orie B. Richards	4 60
Ralph Farrow	54 00
Fred W. Taylor	1 50
Frank Fellis	9 20
Andrew Pratt	1 00
Norman Worthley	28 00
Ministerial and School Fund, for school	25 00
Other Towns' Poor	1,140 02
State Aid	2 10
Maintenance Unimproved Roads	44 50
Town Poor	19 34
Services fighting fires	234 56
Rent Hitchcock House	129 00

Licenses	$ 21 00	
Cemetery lots and Lumber on lots	84 70	
Rent Forster Building	285 00	
Dividends on Forster Building	2,236 17	
School Department (refund fire ext.)	17 53	
H. R. Welch, temporary loan	4,500 00	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1941 Tax	6 50	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1943 Tax	4 00	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1945 Tax	99 18	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1946 Tax	36,538 25	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector, abatements '43, '44, '45, '46	60 94	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1946 Excise Tax	1,723 16	
Hervey B. Jennings, Collector 1947 Excise Tax	360 36	
Town of Strong, truck and plow earnings	2,147 60	
E. A. Bell Est., Cemetery Fund	100 00	
Earle Richardson, Cemetery Fund	200 00	
Charles Mallory, roads	249 00	
F. A. Richardson, bridge loan	1,100 00	
A. D. Pratt, bridge loan	1,000 00	
L. R. Lewis, bridge loan	2,000 00	
E. L. Kingsley, bridge loan	1,576 30	
		$69,981 46

ORDERS PAID

Town orders	$57,707 34	
State Tax	4,568 48	
County Tax	1,379 20	
State Treas., retirement	398 20	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1947	5,928 24	
		$69,981 46

H. B. JENNINGS, Treas.

SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM FUND

Appropriation	$ 1,000 00	
Balance Feb. 15, 1946	16,358 93	
Received by donations	5,027 50	
Interest credited	295 74	
Cash on deposit in Franklin Co. Savings Bank, Feb. 15, 1947		$22,682 17

C. H. MALLORY SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Balance Feb. 15, 1946	$1,750 00	
Interest Credited	5 82	
		$1,755 82
Paid 1946 Taxes	$1,393 10	
Paid on road	249 00	
		$1,642 10
Cash on deposit in Franklin Co. Savings Bank		$113 72

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$219 32		$219 32
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds Series G	$2,000 00

BABBITT TRUST FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$101 02		$101 02

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Treasurer.

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1946:

	10-1-45 Balance	Int. & Prin. Added	Expended	10-1-46 Balance
E. K. Hitchcock				
A/c Methodist Church	$100 31	$2 01	$2 01	$100 31
A/c Congo Church	100 31	2 02	2 02	100 31
Cemetery	107 20	2 15	4 35	105 00
Town of Strong, Cemetery	100 09	2 01	2 10	100 00
Julia H. May, Cemetery	147 59	2 96	3 55	147 00
Florence Ranger, Cemetery	107 96	2 16	3 12	107 00
George Hitchcock, Cemetery	837 95	16 83	8 78	846 00
Hunter & Blithen, Cemetery	103 23	2 07	3 30	102 00
Daggett Brothers, Cemetery	297 33	5 97	5 30	298 00
Charles A. Goldsmith, Cem.	104 73	2 09	3 82	103 00
Anna Bates Hunter, Cem.	104 01	2 09	3 10	103 00
Frederick E. Hardy, Cem.	100 52	2 01	2 53	100 00
Thayas F. Will, Cemetery	100 30	2 01	2 31	100 00
Dora A. Page, Cemetery	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00
Lucy M. Sweet, Cemetery	100 53	2 01	2 54	100 00
Fred A. Page, Cemetery	50 16	1 00	1 16	50 00
Samuel Philbrick, Cemetery	75 36	1 51	1 87	75 00
George H. Allen, Cemetery	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00
Lemuel & Thurza Crosby, Cem.	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00
William I. Smith, Cemetery	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00
Izabelle N. Toothaker, Cem.	100 08	2 01	2 09	100 00
Emma & Flora Dodge, Cem.	100 45	2 01	2 46	100 00
Lizzie A. Waite, Cemetery	100 15	2 01	2 16	100 00
Gilman Trust Fund	100 66	2 01	2 67	100 00
George Daggett	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00
George M. D. Will	100 05	2 01	2 06	100 00

	10-1-45 Balance	Int. & Prin. Added	Expended	10-1-46 Balance
Vining & Cates	100 87	2 01	2 88	100 00
Nellie F. Dyer	100 23	2 01	2 24	100 00
Rena B. Johnson	300 32	6 03	6 35	300 00
Ellen E. Spaulding	132 43	2 65	4 08	131 00
Harry G. & Ella M. Vining	101 27	2 03	2 30	101 00
Walker Fund	76 14	1 52	2 66	75 00
Gilman & Mitchell	151 30	3 03	3 33	151 00
Loring Hunter	100 23	2 01	2 24	100 00
H. O. Lisherness Est.	102 43	2 05	2 48	102 00
Maude B. Hillier	100 90	2 01	2 91	100 00
Lincoln A. & Viola C. Worthley	152 21	3 05	3 26	152 00
Edmond A. Goodwin	101 51	2 03	3 54	100 00
Silas Goodwin & Elsie Welch	101 51	2 03	3 54	100 00
U. G. & C. B. Weymouth	101 09	2 03	3 12	100 00
Jeremiah Porter	100 21	2 01	2 22	100 00
Etta & Clarence Nutting	101 49	2 03	3 52	100 00
Alexander P. & Emily Gould Porter	202 84	4 06	4 90	202 00
Mark & Delma Gray	104 29	2 09	3 38	103 00
Elias H. Porter	101 14	2 03	1 17	102 00
Charles M. Dickey	101 14	2 03	1 17	102 00
M. A. Will	100 64	2 01	2 65	100 00
Elmer Gray	75 23	1 50	1 73	75 00
Flora Smith	100 00	1 95	1 95	100 00
Estelle A. Bell	100 00	1 00	1 00	100 00
David Richardson	200 00	1 67	1 67	200 00

The total of the Trust Funds $6,532 62

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS,
By the Trustees

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, RALPH E. EUSTIS,
RAYMOND D. NORRIS, ERWIN E. TOOTHAKER,
F. ARDINE RICHARDSON,

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Sec. and Treas.

Report of Tax Collector

FEBRUARY 15, 1947

Commitment		$37,690 14
1946 Excise Tax Applied		1,127 20
		$36,562 94
Supplementary Tax		74 15
		$36,637 09
Paid Treasurer	$36,538 25	
Abatements	38 04	
Uncollected, 1946	60 80	
		$36,637 09
Uncollected, Residents		
Pillsbury, Leon	$56 07	
Non-Residents		
Bragdon, Edward	4 73	
		$60 80

ABATEMENTS 1946

Boucher, Marcel	$3 00
Boucher, Amos	3 00
Childs, Archie	2 52
Cyr, Adrian	3 00
Dudley, Mears	3 00
Lisherness, Wilson	3 00
Merchant, Clarence	3 00
Nile, Richard	3 00
Phillips, John Jr.	3 00
Stubbs, Ellis	3 00
Tibbetts, Emerson	3 00

Smith, Murray		$1 89	
Haggan, Howard		3 00	
Bean, Milton		63	
			$38 04
	1945		
Carlisle, T. C.		$6 30	
	1944		
Dunham, Alton		3 00	
Melvin, Roscoe		3 60	
	1943		
Meadoes, John L.		3 00	
Nile, Theron		3 25	
O'Donald, William		3 75	
			$10 00

H. B. JENNINGS, Col.

Road Commissioner's Report

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$3,000 00	
Maine Central Railroad	4 95	
State of Maine	1,133 50	
		$4,138 45

Expended

Town of Strong, truck	$977 50
Henry Grover	298 90
William Jennings	286 30
Andrew Pratt	586 94
F. A. Richardson	74 23
Ivan Richardson	41 52
Robert Plummer	114 18
Southworth Machine Co.	76 01
F. E. Willard, supplies	13 93
Leon Pillsbury	9 36
Edward Pillsbury	16 96
Coburn Pillsbury	4 75
Paul Pillsbury	11 88
Oscar Pillsbury	5 61
A. G. Eustis, supplies	2 90
C. V. Starbird, truck and supplies	35 23
Burnell Walker	3 00
Milton Walker	3 25
Edgar Walker, gravel	48 30
Earlon Walker	4 94
Almon D. Pratt	22 28
C. M. Richards, supplies	56 82
Percy Spaulding, team and labor	17 99
Southwestern Petroleum Co.	89 44
Strong Woodturning Co., truck	4 50
John Allen, truck	26 18

Alfred Wood	$ 7 92	
Milton Voter	4 35	
Vernie Voter	76 33	
Strong Motor Service, supplies	11 75	
Treasurer of State, tax	22 20	
Currier Insurance Agency	33 68	
Collector of Internal Revenue	224 15	
Dick Fellis	10 66	
Gordon Fellis	24 35	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	6 80	
Coe Toothaker	5 45	
Coe Toothaker Jr.	5 20	
Mallory Farm, truck	9 00	
Files and O'Keefe	229 00	
Eddie Campbell	432 20	
Farmington Oil Co.	38 15	
Colan G. Crocker	1 93	
N. H. Worthley	38 75	
Alfred Stefano	9 15	
F. L. Butler Co.	55 44	
		$4,569 04
Overdraft		$430 59
Transfer from Supplementary	$ 25 46	
Transfer from 1946 Excise	405 13	
		$430 59

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	$2,750 00	
C. H. Mallory, S. Strong Road	249 00	
Orie Richards, service	4 60	
Ralph Farrow, service	54 00	
Frank Fellis, service	9 20	
Andrew Pratt, service	1 00	
Norman Worthley, service	28 00	
		$3,095 80

Expended

Andrew Pratt	$347 78
Town of Strong, truck	515 79
Collector of Internal Revenue	125 85
A. G. Eustis, supplies	14 05
C. V. Starbird, supplies	43 61
Maintenance of Unimproved Roads	44 50
Earlon Richardson	75
Andrew Chandler	6 96
F. A. Richardson	75
Richard Fellis	121 88
Vernon Voter	201 50
Milton Walker	74 19
Edgar Walker, gravel	31 00
Burnell Walker	70 58
Earlon Walker	4 12
New England Metal Culvert Co.	290 14
Forster Mfg. Co. Inc., truck and tractor	264 19
Milo Haney, truck	42 00
Lewis Moore, truck	30 00
Leo Lovell, truck	42 00
Roy McCourt, gravel	94 70
Frederick Gage	3 00
Wilfred McCleary	9 00
Milton Voter	187 87
Frank Foster	44 58
Freeland Durrell	91 59
W. W. Small Co., supplies	1 70
Don Lavoie	26 03
Gordon Fellis	14 58
Dan Pratt	5 19
C. H. Brackley, truck	108 49
Howard Pinkham, truck	59 21
Mallory Farm, truck	17 19
State Shovel	168 00
Clifton Durrell	5 16
Ross Richards, tractor	4 00
Robert Worthley, tractor	25 00
Leon Pillsbury, team	31 84

James Welch, team	$35 62	
Clinton Moody	1 90	
		$3,205 69
Overdraft		$109 89
Transfer from Overlay		109 89

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1946	$ 82 20	
Appropriation	228 00	
		$310 20

Expended

Town of Strong	$84 38	
Andrew Pratt	62 73	
Burnell Walker	13 96	
Milton Walker	14 11	
Earlon Walker	4 94	
Freeland Durrell	5 19	
Vernon Voter	34 30	
Richard Fellis	21 50	
State Highway Comm., tar	132 76	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	40 00	
Collector of Internal Revenue	13 45	
		$427 32
Overdraft		$117 12
Transfer from Overlay	$68 43	
Transfer from Supplementary	48 69	
		$117 12

HUTCHINS HILL ROAD

Appropriated	$300 00

Expended

State Highway Comm., tar	$222 67	
		$222 67
Balance		$77 33

STATE AID

1945 Appropriation	$ 533 00	
1946 Appropriation	533 00	
State of Maine	2,481 55	
		$3,547 55

Expended

Andrew Pratt	$ 197 04
Burnell Walker	105 37
Milton Walker	105 59
Freeland Durrell	144 81
Clifton Durrell	99 74
Earlon Walker	4 63
Don Lavoie	39 06
Town of Strong	288 26
C. H. Brackley, truck and tractor	1,037 96
Austin Hardy	185 50
Dan Pratt	43 40
Milton Voter	34 89
Frank Foster	29 96
Dick Fellis	20 23
Gordon Fellis	25 63
Roy McCourt	25 00
Forster Mfg. Co., trucks	146 70
C. V. Starbird, trucks	5 73
Glen Brackley	13 82
Town of Farmington	101 25
Biesaw	83 81
Winslow, gas	16 19
A. G. Eustis	6 70
W. W. Small Co.	23 28
New England Metal Culvert Co.	308 05

Vernie Voter	$ 33 75	
C. H. Mallory, truck	19 10	
John Allen, truck	22 92	
Merlon Kingsley	19 00	
Howard Pinkham, truck	254 03	
Collector of Internal Revenue	114 50	
		$3,555 90
Overdraft		$8 35
Transfer from Overlay		8 35

PILLSBURY ROAD

Appropriation		$250 00

Expended

Milo Haney, truck	$ 12 00	
Leo Lovell, truck	12 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., truck and tractor	111 85	
Town of Strong, truck	21 39	
Andrew Pratt	12 88	
Roy McCourt, gravel	11 20	
C. H. Brackley	1 88	
Howard Pinkham	1 91	
Freeland Durrell	10 34	
Leon Pillsbury	10 00	
C. V. Starbird	14 16	
Milton Voter	4 37	
Frank Foster	1 93	
Burnell Walker	8 90	
Milton Walker	3 25	
Clifton Durrell	3 00	
Don Lavois	2 44	
F. H. Spaulding	2 50	
Collector of Internal Revenue	3 95	
		$249 95
Unexpended		$ 05
Transfer to Overlay		05

MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS

State of Maine	$371 35	
Town of Strong (Roads and Bridges)	44 50	
		$415 85

Expended

Milo Haney, truck	$ 39 00	
Lawrence Roberts, truck	17 52	
Lewis Moore, truck	36 00	
Leo Lovell, truck	39 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., trucks	194 51	
Town of Strong	24 83	
Freeland Durrell	3 00	
Clifton Durrell	5 19	
Andrew Pratt	10 20	
Roy McCourt, gravel	44 50	
Collector of Internal Revenue	2 10	
		$415 85

ROAD INVENTORY

Tractor and plow, road machine, steel road drag, log drag, crowbar, 2 grub hoes, 2 bush clippers, 2 bush snathes, 2 scythes, 2 picks, shovel, 4 spades, sod fork, catch basin spade, wire clippers, sander.

ANDREW PRATT,

Commissioner.

School Department, Town of Strong

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee:

This past year has been a difficult one for education and the schools. State-wide and nation-wide figures indicate that children now in school suffer because three hundred fifty thousand qualified teachers have left the ranks, one in seven teachers are serving on emergency or sub-standard certificates, seventy thousand teaching positions are unfilled because of the inability of communities to get the necessary teachers, seventy-five thousand children will have no schooling because six thousand schools could not open, and these figures could continue on and on. Perhaps the most serious problem facing education, however, still lies ahead. The plain fact is that fewer college students are entering the teaching profession than in the past, to be exact, seven per cent today as against twenty-two per cent in 1920. While these deplorable conditions exist in general, the town of Strong has been fortunate, indeed, in securing the services of six well-qualified teachers, all with previous teaching experience. We have before us one clear goal, that of maintaining our present teaching force. Your recent action was a step in the right direction and a new minimum pay bill for teachers, now before the State legislature, is another.

Last September, due to increased enrollments in the sub-primary-first grade room, it became essential that we separate the two grades and hire an additional teacher. There are no guide posts to determine where this increase in school population will end and it is entirely possible that other grades will be similarly affected. Recent scientific investigations into child development agree that the child's early years are the most crucial for mental health and ultimate social adjustment. It is in these early years of school life that persisting attitudes and personality traits originate. Later character attributes are also believed to de-

velop as a result of this early training and education. Your action in separating the two grades and providing an extra teacher was sound and logical without the reason that prompted the action. The advantages that will accrue to the children in these grades will be of benefit throughout their life.

I find it necessary that school finances be discussed in this report. The necessary tools of operating the schools have increased in price. We face the prospect of a fifteen hundred dollar minimum pay bill, of a twenty to forty per cent increase in textbooks and supplies, and other school services have increased proportionately. These increased costs must be reflected in the school budget. In no other field of human endeavor do we approximate the value received for the money expended as is true in education. The tasks that youth now in school will be asked to successfully perform, perhaps the maintenance of the American way of life alone, requires that we not stint to the point that we ourselves destroy that which we call upon our youth to preserve.

In conclusion, I say with the utmost sincerity that the School Committee, the entire school staff, and the citizens of Strong have shown that their paramount interest is in better educational opportunities for the youth of Strong. I trust this interest will continue and develop to the point where one day we arrive at the best possible educational opportunities for our youth — they deserve it.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIOTT A. DIGGLE,

Superintendent of Schools.

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1947

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance 1945-46	$ 1,317 47
Appropriation	12,000 00

Tuition, H. S.:			
New Vineyard	$ 59 50		
State	200 00		
		$ 259 50	
Tuition, Elem.:			
State	$876 50		
Mrs. O'Connell	9 00		
Mrs. Mason	16 50		
		902 00	
State School Fund		3,310 58	
Interest		25 00	
			$17,814 55

EXPENDITURES

Teachers, H. S.	$5,695 89	
Teachers, Elem.	5,162 42	
Fuel	867 75	
Janitor & Janitor Supplies	1,363 62	
Conveyance	1,753 28	
Textbooks	445 74	
Supplies	1,210 47	
		$16,499 17
Unexpended Balance		$1,315 38

REPAIRS

Unexpended Balance 1945-46	$488 07	
Appropriation	250 00	
		$738 07
Expended		263 99
Unexpended Balance		$474 08

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, High School

Harold M. Karkos	$2,479 02
Calvin Roberts	943 91

C. Paul Quimby	$735 16	
Vincenta Cannariato	835 80	
Evelyn Chadbourne	510 00	
Jane Quimby	192 00	
		$5,695 89

Teachers, Elementary

Frances Newton	$ 673 60	
Emma York	509 09	
Ruth Morey	1,195 60	
Marion B. Peary	673 60	
Mariane Kennison	459 49	
Dorothy Scamman	1,061 00	
Helen Heald	280 65	
Vera Wing (Sec'y, Supt.'s office)	174 72	
Glenroy I. Lamb	122 67	
Mrs. Raymond Norris	6 00	
Mrs. Norman Snell	6 00	
		$5,162 42

Fuel

S. J. Luce Coal Co.		$867 75

Janitor and Janitor's Supplies

Lewis Brackley	$1,304 40	
Queda Huff	3 16	
Vivian Tibbetts	3 85	
Birdena Abbott	10 17	
Grangie Marden	2 00	
Stanley Reynolds	2 00	
Lula Brackley	6 19	
Arzena Lake	10 45	
Ralph E. Eustis	6 00	
Robert Newell	2 00	
William Stailings	2 00	
First National Store	80	
Farrow's Grocery	2 10	
The Franklin Journal Co.	2 50	

Herbert L. Morey	$4 00	
Maurice Peary	2 00	
		$1,363 62

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$691 00	
Lewis Brackley	555 00	
Philip Corey	380 00	
Emma York	54 60	
J. Blaine Morrison Agency	72 68	
		$1,753 28

Textbooks

Scott, Foresman & Co.	$ 98 91	
American Book Company	104 47	
Ginn and Company	99 16	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	5 64	
The MacMillan Co.	13 55	
D. C. Heath Co.	4 35	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	43 67	
Allyn and Bacon	12 61	
The Continental Press	12 51	
Webster Publishing Co.	9 97	
World Book Co.	25 41	
Business Statistics Organization	10 95	
The MacMillan Co.	4 54	
		$445 74

Supplies

Maine Consolidated Power Co.	$184 53	
Strong Water District	28 16	
J. L. Hammett Co.	213 02	
Ginn and Co.	25 18	
Yale University Press	2 08	
Franklin Farmers Co-Op. Tel. Co.	23 40	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	62 60	
War Assets Corporation	6 48	

Remington Rand, Inc.	$106 65	
Treasurer of U. S.	17 00	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	97 56	
Town of Strong	17 53	
The Barton Press	15 92	
Doubleday & Co.	2 00	
Eugene Dietzgen Co.	3 96	
Loring, Short & Harmon	31 70	
American Book Co.	12 49	
University of Maine	25 00	
A. G. Eustis Estate	18 14	
Berry Paper Co.	18 86	
Harold M. Karkos	12 19	
L. R. Lewis	6 77	
Ohio College Assn.	1 60	
Diah Sweet	70	
Town of Phillips	14 27	
World Book Co.	15 34	
Science Research Associates	13 23	
West Disinfecting Co.	12 99	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	1 70	
Iroquois Pub. Co.	11 68	
Maine Public Health Assn.	40	
First National Stores, Inc.	1 63	
World Almanac	85	
Chicago Apparatus Co.	21 59	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	2 09	
Knowlton & McLeary Co.	6 83	
Strong High School	106 02	
Jim's Electrical Repair Shop	23 45	
Strong Wood Turning Co.	14 41	
Strong H. S. Fortnightly	30 47	
		$1,210 47

Repairs

Jim's Electrical Repair Shop	$248 20	
Herbert E. Morey	3 25	
A. G. Eustis Estate	2 14	
Charles F. Thompson, Jr.	10 40	
		$263 99

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS
Portland, Maine

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Strong:

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1947 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion the appended statements fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1947.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
By R. M. Millett, C.P.A.

February 17, 1947

TOWN OF STRONG

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1946		February 15, 1947	
Cash		$ 4,665 77		$ 5,928 24
Savings Account — Special		1,750 00		113 72
Uncollected Taxes:				
1946			$60 80	
1945	$99 48			
1944	6 60			
1943	14 00			
1941	6 50			
		126 58		60 80
Tax Deeds:				
1936	33 25		33 25	
Prior Years	43 60		43 60	
		76 85		76 85

Tax Liens:				
1943	$44 00		$44 00	
1942	44 00		44 00	
1941	45 76		45 76	
1940	83 46		83 46	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		$264 42		$264 42
Accounts Receivable:				
Out of Town Poor	195 20		32 12	
State Poor	164 51		147 92	
Highway	959 85			
Schools — Tuition	30 75		19 50	
		1,350 31		199 54
Deferred Appropriations and Overdrafts:				
Roads — Special	500 00			
Tractor Repairs — Spec.	1,360 10		1,360 10	
Tractor & Plow — Spec.	4,720 79		4,780 68	
Bridge Account			3,300 00	
Insurance			589 60	
		6,580 89		10,030 38
		$14,814 82		$16,673 95

LIABILITIES

	February 15, 1946		February 15, 1947	
Notes Payable		$6,581 42		$9,381 42
Advances on Future Tax Assessments		1,750 00		113 72
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		308 56		360 36
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations:				
Town Officers	$ 52 79			
Town Charges			$ 44 17	
Collector of Taxes			11 08	
Forster Building	244 86		675 68	
Fire Department	201 68		106 96	
Street Lighting	19 83			
Care of Town Dump	25 00		6 88	
Third Class Road	82 20			
Gravel — Special	22 03			
Tarvia — Hutchins Road			77 33	
State Aid Road Const.	533 00			
Sidewalks	50 00		32	
Town Poor	302 44		256 34	
School Department	1,317 47		1,315 38	
Schoolhouse Repairs	488 07		474 08	
Memorial Day			15 00	
Hitchcock House	252 65		301 11	
Insurance	69 20			
Cemeteries	249 49			
Interest	126 55		76 72	
		4,037 26		3,361 05
		$12,677 24		$13,216 55
General Fund Surplus		2,137 58		3,457 40
		$14,814 82		$16,673 95

SPECIAL FUNDS

	February 15, 1946	February 15, 1947
Investments:		
Franklin County Savings Bank		
Book No. 20828	$16,358 93	$22,682 17
Funds Held for Special Purposes:		
School and Gymnasium Fund	$16,358 93	$22,682 17

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

	February 15, 1946	February 15, 1947
Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery Funds	$6,048 02	$6,332 00
Church — Hitchcock	200 62	200 62
Church — Babbett	100 00	101 02
Ministerial and School Fund	214 77	219 32
	$6,563 41	$6,852 96
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$8,563 41	$8,852 96

LIABILITIES

Trust Fund Principal	$8,563 41	$8,852 96

Town Clerk's Report

DEATHS

1946

Jan. 24 — At North Anson, Maine, Mary Porter, aged 78 yrs., 7 mos., 29 days.

Feb. 7 — At Blandford, Mass., Willis W. Huff, aged 42 yrs., 10 mos., 5 days.

Feb. 24 — At Strong, Maine, Ilda D. Richardson, aged 57 yrs., 11 mos., 26 days.

Feb. 25 — At Skowhegan, Maine, Ida M. Otis, aged 73 yrs., 7 mos., 14 days.

Feb. 27 — At Strong, Maine, Esther Ellis Waite, aged 72 yrs., 9 mos., 12 days.

Mar. 14 — At Strong, Maine, Floyd Dunn Stubbs, aged 61 yrs., 10 mos., 9 days.

Apr. 2 — At Strong, Maine, Georgia Ellis Hewey, aged 80 yrs., 11 mos., 22 days.

Apr. 27 — At Phillips, Maine, William W. Mitchell, aged 81 yrs., 1 mo., 5 days.

May 12 — At Strong, Maine, James Walkley Davis, aged 76 yrs., 3 mos., 19 days.

May 13 — At Strong, Maine, Menzor Arana Will, aged 90 yrs., 6 mos., 5 days.

May 17 — At Strong, Maine, Lorenzo N. Thompson, aged 58 yrs., 4 mos.

May 20 — At Strong, Maine, Clarence Clinton Merchant, aged 46 yrs., 4 mos., 20 days.

May 27 — At Monmouth, Maine, Thaxter Elmer Cook, aged 81 yrs., 9 mos., 9 days.

June 4 — At Freeman, Maine, Joseph Earl Seavey, aged 1 mo., 17 days.

June 13 — At Farmington, Maine, Alexander F. Campbell, aged 77 yrs., 19 days.

June 22 — At Kingfield, Maine, Fred Melburn Weymouth, aged 77 yrs., 4 mos., 29 days.

June 25 — At Strong, Maine, Fred W. Chick, aged 69 yrs., 9 mos., 8 days.

June 30 At Waterbury, Vermont, Clarence A. Hunt, aged 64 yrs., 8 mos., 18 days.

Aug. 8 — At Strong, Maine, Roxie Bartlett Merchant, aged 78 yrs., 11 mos., 3 days.

Aug. 28 — At Farmington, Maine, Charles E. Richards, aged 69 yrs., 3 mos.

Aug. 29 — At Auburn, Maine, George S. Porter, aged 83 yrs., 4 mos., 5 days.

Sept. 12 — At Rumford, Maine, William Edward Crandall, aged 49 yrs., 9 mos., 19 days.

Sept. 24 — At Farmington, Maine, Marion P. Heath, aged 51 yrs., 6 mos., 10 days.

Nov. 8 — At Farmington, Maine, Clifford Belcher Luce, aged 56 yrs., 9 mos., 21 days.

Nov. 9 — At Phillips, Maine, Fred E. Abbott, aged 76 yrs., 5 mos., 8 days.

Nov. 9 — At Livermore Falls, Maine, Mary A. Stone, aged 89 yrs., 2 days.

Nov. 11 — At Lewiston, Maine, Cornelia T. Crosby, aged 92 yrs., 1 day.

Nov. 16 — At Farmington, Maine, George W. Kershner, aged 40 yrs., 7 mos., 21 days.

Dec. 31 — At Strong, Maine, Frank A. Spaulding, aged 82 yrs., 5 mos., 23 days.

1947

Jan. 13 — At Farmington, Maine, Frank C. Worthley, aged 86 yrs., 10 mos., 5 days.

RAYMOND D. NORRIS, *Town Clerk.*

Fire Chief's Report

G. E. MARDEN, *Chief*

Mar. 12, '46 — Chimney fire at Ray Huff's
Mar. 13, '46 — Chimney fire at Kershner house
Mar. 14, '46 — Chimney fire at Eph. Toothaker farm
Mar. 23, '46 — Chimney fire at Hervey Welch's
Mar. 27, '46 — Grass fire at F. Mfg. Co. mill dump
Mar. 31, '46 — Chimney fire at L. E. Peary's
April 3, '46 — Fire at Walter Colby's
April 7, '46 — Chimney fire at Stubbs house
April 15, '46 — Chimney fire in McCleary building
April 18, '46 — Woods fire at F. Mfg. Co. mill dump. Two trips
April 22, '46 — Chimney fire at Inez Stinchfield's
May 2, '46 — Fire at F. Mfg. Co. mill dump
June 6, '46 — Automobile fire — Frank McClain
June 21, '46 — Fire at Strong Wood Turning Corp.
July 1, '46 — Chimney fire at Sherman Mitchell farm
July 2, '46 — Fire at town dump
July 4, '46 — Fire at Smith. Bros. mill, New Vineyard
Aug. 28, '46 — Fire at Strong Wood Turning Corp.
Sept. 1, '46 — Fire at Daniel Abbott house
Oct. 20, '46 — Fire at lower Chas. Skillings place
Nov. 7, '46 — Fire at F. Mfg. Co. mill dump
Nov. 8, '46 — Fire at saw mill on Vine St.
Nov. 21, '46 — Fire at Ed. Goodwin house
Nov. 24, '46 — Chimney fire at Mary Crocker's
Nov. 24, '46 — Chimney fire at Ed. Walker's
Nov. 24, '46 — Fire at mill, Salem
Dec. 2, '46 — Chimney fire at N. H. Worthley's
Dec. 2, '46 — Chimney fire at Ray Bean's
Dec. 2, '46 — Chimney fire at Alonzo Kennedy's
Dec. 4, '46 — Chimney fire at Fred McCleary's
Dec. 4, '46 — Chimney fire at Fred McCleary's
Dec. 11, '46 — Chimney fire at Melzer Phillips'
Dec. 16, '46 — Chimney fire at Stubbs house
Jan. 23, '47 — Chimney fire at Mrs. J. M. Rounds'
Feb. 14, '47 — Fire in truck on Strong-Farmington road

Financial Report of Strong Public Library

FEBRUARY 15, 1946 TO FEBRUARY 15, 1947

Balance from 1945	$ 5 41	
Appropriation	100 00	
State Stipend	10 00	
Fines	28 17	
Association Dues	17 50	
Book Drive	81 00	
		$242 08
EXPENDED		
Books, magazines	$212 81	
Postage, supplies, etc.	21 49	
		$234 30
February 15, 1947 — Balance on hand		$7 78
Total Book Circulation	5,013	

ELIZABETH STARBIRD, *Treasurer.*

Report of School Physician

February 15, 1947

Citizens of Strong:

Greeting,

During school year of 1945-46 absenteeism due to ill health was comparatively low; there being no serious epidemics and the health of the student body as a whole being very good.

Just previous to summer vacation physical examinations were given to two hundred seven; fifty-three high school students and one hundred fifty-four elementary pupils, with the following findings:

There were one hundred sixty with defective teeth; this condition was not as serious as it first appears as over fifty per cent of this number needed only cleaning or attention to temporary teeth.

Fifty-two had impaired vision, some needing to be fitted with lenses for the first time, others needing lenses changed.

There were thirty-three having throats which needed attention. This number was made up largely by those having affected tonsils.

Only three had impaired hearing.

Recommendation notices were sent to parents and their co-operation on the whole was good.

After return to school at beginning of fall term a re-check was made and fifty-three seven-point certificates awarded, this being twelve more than number awarded the year previous.

Thus far this school year, with the exception of several cases of small pox, we haven't experienced any serious health problems in the school.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

School Physician.

Report of Health Officer

February 15, 1947

Citizens of Strong,

Greeting:

During year past routine measures and reports were handled in the usual manner.

The principal problems confronting us, regarding community health, remain those of sewerage disposal and drainage of stagnant waters.

Please note that according to new ruling in the sanitation code it is no longer permissible to dispose of sewerage by directing same into streams or old wells.

If you have either of the above problems the Bureau of Sanitation at Augusta is always willing to offer advice or the services of one of their engineers if necessary.

As your Health Officer, I'll be glad to assist in any way possible toward maintaining better community health.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

Health Officer.

VALLEY BROOK BRIDGES
(Constructed jointly by Town of Strong, Co. of Franklin and State of Maine)

Town of Strong

Annual Report

For 1947

Annual Report

OF THE

Municipal Officers

AND

Board of Education

OF THE TOWN OF

Strong, Maine

FOR THE FISCAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1948

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please preserve it and bring it to Town Meeting as no duplicate will be issued.

Farmington, Maine
The Knowlton & McLeary Co., Printers
1948

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor
F. A. RICHARDSON ANDREW J. CHANDLER
CHARLES H. LISHERNESS

Town Clerk
RAYMOND D. NORRIS

Treasurer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Road Commissioner
EDGAR H. WALKER

Superintendent of Schools
ELLIOTT DIGGLE

School Committee
L. D. MOODY VERNE FLOOD
RALPH E. EUSTIS

Health Officer
L. D. MOODY, D. O.

Sexton
DANIEL ABBOTT

Sealer of Weights and Measures
STANLEY ALLEN

Fire Chief
G. E. MARDEN

Constables
HERVEY B. JENNINGS ALMON D. PRATT

Truant Officer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Town Warrant

County of Franklin, ss.

To Hervey B. Jennings, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine. Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said town on Saturday, the sixth day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to elect, or instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Road Commissioner.

Art. 5. To choose all other Town Officers for the ensuing year, or in case of minor officers, to authorize the Selectmen to fill by appointment.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Wages, Fuel, Janitor Service, Conveyance, Textbooks, Reference Books and School Supplies for desk and laboratory use, for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Repairs on Schoolhouse for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise for the Salary of the Superintendent of Schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of Taxes.

Art. 11. To see when the Taxes shall be collected and made payable.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 1% on all 1948 Real and Personal Property Taxes paid on or before June 1, 1948, and charge interest at 4% from Oct. 1, 1948 on all Real and Personal Property Taxes remaining unpaid on Dec. 15.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Discounts.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges, including gravel for Unimproved Roads for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for breaking Winter Roads in 1948-1949.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for State Aid Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 26, Chapter 20, R. S. of 1944.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of seven hundred forty dollars and thirty cents ($740.30) for the maintenance and snow removal work on State Highway (Route 4) as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of four hundred thirty-eight dollars and eighty cents ($438.80) for State Aid Patrol as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Interest on Temporary Loans and Town Debt.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Aid to Dependent Children for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for services of School Physician for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) for public health nursing in Strong, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said funds to be expended under the direction of Johnson-Cox Post, No. 78, A. L.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82, of the R. S. of Maine.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for maintenance of Town Dump for the ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Cemetery Maintenance for the ensuing year.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for repair, or construction of Sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 39. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the School and Gymnasium Fund, said sum to be paid to the Treasurer of the Town of Strong School District.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to accept two hundred dollars deposited with the Town Treasurer by Cora A. Worthley, and comply with her request by creating the James F. Worthley Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to accept one hundred dollars deposited with the Town Treasurer by Alonzo P. Richards, and comply with his request by creating the John W. Richards Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to accept the two hundred dollar bequest under the will of the late John Otis, and in accordance with the terms of the will, create the John Soule Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept one hundred dollars deposited with the Town Treasurer by Emma M. Allen, and comply with her request by creating the Ambrose Allen Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to approve the action of the Selectmen in purchasing approximately 1½ acres of land from the late Lura Wyman Cox to provide for cemetery expansion in future years, and payment of same from the 1947 appropriation for care of cemetery.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to approve the action of the Selectmen in purchasing from C. H. Brackley that part of the Stubbs property, so called, upon which part of the Hitchcock House is located, and a garden plot adjoining, and payment of same from the 1947 Hitchcock House revenue.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will vote to accept two hundred dollars deposited with the Town Treasurer by J. E. Winslow, Executor, and comply with his request by creating the Winslow-Crandall Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise two hundred three dollars and ninety-three cents ($203.93) to meet the Town's share of the cost of changes made in the Valley Brook Bridges, said changes involving labor and material not included in the original specifications.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise two thousand eight hundred thirty-six dollars and fifty-eight cents ($2,836.58) to cover the following overdrafts: Fire Department — $1,286.34; Winter Roads — $1,550.24.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a Portable Pumper and 500 feet of 1½ inch cotton rubber lined new Navy surplus fire hose, and raise money for same.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to install a street light at the top of the hill opposite the Fire Station, and raise money for same.

Art. 51. To see if the Town will vote to have a light on the post on the corner in front of the Corner Cafe, and raise money for same.

Art. 52. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for School Lunch Program, and in what amount.

Art. 53. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to be expended on the Nutting Road, so called, between the Thompson place and the site of the former Nutting buildings.

Art. 54. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to prepare and apply tarvia on High Street, beginning at the intersection with Vine Street.

Art. 55. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the reconstruction of that section of State Aid No. 1 between Starbird's lower mill and the Freeman Township line, to be spent in conjunction with funds set up by the State.

Art. 56. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 17, 1948.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
A. J. CHANDLER,
C. H. LISHERNESS,
Selectmen of Strong.

APPROPRIATIONS — TOWN MEETING 1947

Account	Appropriation	Art. No.	Budget
Schools	$13,000 00	6	$12,500 00
Repairs	100 00	7	Balance
Supt. of Schools	575 00	8	625 00
Town Charges	425 00	9	425 00
Collection of Taxes	450 00	12	450 00
Discounts		14	100 00
Roads and Bridges	2,500 00	15	3,000 00
Winter Roads	3,000 00	16	3,000 00
State Aid Construction	799 50	17	799 50
State Highway	740 30	18	740 30
State Aid Patrol	374 80	19	438 80
Town Debt	1,000 00	20	1,360 10
Interest	160 00	21	325 00
Hydrants	537 60	22	315 00
Street Lights	798 00	23	798 00
Fire Dept.	700 00	24	1,000 00
Town Officers	1,040 00	25	1,100 00
Support of Poor	150 00	26	250 00
Dependent Children	225 00	27	500 00
School Physician	200 00	28	200 00
Public Health Nurse		29	
Memorial Day	15 00	30	Balance
Maine Publicity		31	
Library	100 00	32	100 00
Insurance	50 00	33	150 00
Town Dump	45 00	34	45 00
Cemetery	500 00	36	100 00
Sidewalks	200 00	37	200 00
Abatements	100 00	38	100 00
School Gymnasium	1,000 00	39	1,000 00
Valley Brook Bridges		47	203 93
Overdrafts	589 60	48	2,836 58
Pumper and Fire Hose		49	740 00
True Hill	200 00		
Land Damage	600 00		
Takacs Road	300 00		
Lime Account	15 50		
Third Class Maintenance	400 00		

DONATORS DURING 1947 TO MEMORIAL SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM FUND

Elizabeth Nutting Walker
Mr. and Mrs. Willard Curtis
Parent Teachers Association

Contributions and Interest to Feb. 15, 1948	$23,214 87
Appropriation — 1947	1,000 00
	$24,214 87

Assessors' Department

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENTS 1947

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	$386,850 00	$168,144 00	$410,675 00
Non-Resident	23,825 00	15,190 00	183,234 00
	$410,675 00	$183,234 00	$593,909 00

Appropriations made at Town Meeting	$30,890 30	
State Tax	4,701 24	
County Tax	1,684 80	
Overlay	404 55	
Total		$37,680 89
Less Excise Tax Collections		1,500 00
Amount Assessed		$36,180 89
Assessed (Rate $5.90 per $100.00)		
Assessed on Real and Personal Property	$35,040 89	
380 Polls at $3.00 (No. Polls not taxed 24)	1,140 00	
Original Commitment		$36,180 89
Supplementary Taxes		70 08
Final Commitment		$36,250 97

Real Estate Classified

Land	$117,275 00
Buildings	293,400 00
Total	$410,675 00

Personal Property Classified

Taxable Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Ave. Val.	Total Value
Horses	106	$120 00	$ 13,210 00
Colts	1	30 00	30 00
Steers, Oxen, etc., over 18 mos.	48	33 00	1,605 00

Taxable Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Ave. Val.	Total Value
Milk Cows	282	$35 00	$9,918 00
Heifers (over two years)	68	28 00	1,920 00
Heifers (18 mos.-2 yrs.)	47	21 00	1,020 00
Sheep	24	6 00	145 00
Goats	3	10 00	30 00
Swine	9	10 00	90 00
Domestic Fowl	236	1 00	236 00
			$28,204 00

Exempt Livestock and Poultry			
Cattle (under 18 mos.)	174	$ 14 00	$ 2,435 00
Sheep	227	5 00	1,310 00
Swine	49	12 00	605 00
Domestic Fowl	1,052	1 00	1,052 00
			$5,402 00

Other Personal Property	
Stock in Trade	$17,295 00
Logs	26,100 00
Gas Pumps and Attachments	1,825 00
Musical Instruments	3,340 00
Radios	3,935 00
Furniture	7,600 00
Finished Product in mills	25,500 00
Tractors	1,905 00
Machinery and Equipment	36,050 00
Other Property	19,180 00
	$155,030 00
Taxable Livestock (brought forward)	28,204 00
Total	$183,234 00

Industrial and Utility Property	
Light and Power Companies	$ 9,500 00
Saw Mills	3,500 00
Wood Working Mills	62,100 00

PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

Schoolhouse	$20,000 00
School Property	16,000 00
Fire Station, Truck	4,500 00
Town Safe	200 00
Road Machine and Equipment	400 00
Forster Building	30,000 00
Endowment Fund	70,000 00
Tractor and Plow	4,500 00
Truck and Plow	4,500 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Department

TOWN CHARGES

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 44 17	
Appropriation	425 00	
State of Maine (Refund on Freeman Poll Taxes)	12 00	
State of Maine, Bear Bounty	25 00	
State of Maine, Bank Stock Tax	6 89	
State of Maine, R. R. & Tel. Tax	12 68	
Maurice Walker, license	10 00	
Horace E. McIntire, license	1 00	
Norman & Rena Adams, license	1 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., license	1 00	
Muriel E. Cole, charges	1 50	
John S. Sommers, Refund Veterans Service Ctr.	99 24	
		$639 48

Expended

H. B. Jennings, postage, night watch	$ 20 25
F. A. Richardson, postage, supplies	15 45
Peoples National Bank, supplies, charges	24 27
L. R. Lewis, supplies, flags, etc.	18 41
Knowlton & McLeary Co., supplies, printing town reports	206 09
Marks Printing House, supplies	31 75
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies	2 14
Nation Wide, supplies	1 35
Millett, Fish and Dresser, audit	125 00
Maine Municipal Association, membership	35 00
Lauris Abbott, labor	1 50
Wesley Walker, labor	1 50
Andrew Pratt, labor	1 00
Gerard Williams, deed	2 00

Elizabeth Starbird, typing	$ 5 00	
Grangie Marden, night watch	4 00	
A. D. Pratt, night watch	4 00	
Willard Curtis, painting signs	4 00	
Frank Knowlton, recording deed	1 00	
Lawrence Nickerson, bounty	15 00	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co., service	4 79	
		$523 50
		$115 98
Transfer to Supt. of Schools Account		14 56
Balance		$101 42

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		$1,040 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, Selectman	$500 00	
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00	
C. H. Lisherness, Selectman	125 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer	200 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer Cemetery Trust Funds	25 00	
R. D. Norris, Clerk	50 50	
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00	
A. D. Pratt, Constable	5 00	
L. D. Moody, School Committee	10 00	
Verne Flood, School Committee	10 00	
R. E. Eustis, School Committee	10 00	
Daniel Abbott, Sexton	5 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. M. and S. Fund	5 00	
		$1,090 50
		$50 50
Transfer from Supplemental Taxes		50 50

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation		$575 00
Expended		
Elliott A. Diggle	$525 56	
Col. of Internal Revenue	108 50	
		$634 06
Overdraft		$59 06
Transfer from:		
Overlay	$ 82	
1946 Town Tax — not app. or assessed	30 00	
Town Charges	14 56	
Supplemental Taxes	13 68	
		$59 06

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$106 96	
Appropriation	700 00	
Martin Stevens, service	3 00	
State of Maine, refund	62 50	
Grangie Marden, service	10 00	
		$882 46
Expended		
Maine Consolidated Power Co., service	$17 36	
Farmington Oil Co., fuel	91 55	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co., service	21 47	
Currier Insurance Agency, policies	185 40	
Herbert Perry, damage in collision	125 00	
Grangie Marden, chief	45 24	
Payrolls	358 00	
Justin A. McCarthy Co., supplies	202 96	
W. S. Darley Co., supplies	1 00	
Quaker Rubber Corp., supplies	108 78	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., supplies	1 29	
Eastern Fire Equipment, supplies	34 25	
Town of Farmington, pumper	200 00	
Farmington Fire Dept., men	258 00	

Phillips Fire Dept., men and equipment	$ 72 00	
Town of New Vineyard, men and equipment	106 00	
Wilton Fire Dept., men and equipment	218 00	
Town of Kingfield, men and equipment	122 50	
		$2,168 80
Overdraft		$1,286 34

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Melzer Phillips, rent		$150 50
Expended		
Town of Strong, tax	$32 45	
Strong Water District, service	4 00	
Currier Insurance Agency, policy	9 71	
C. H. Brackley, land	50 00	
		$96 16
1947 Operating Balance		$54 34
High School (previous accounts)	$120 60	
High School (1947 account)	27 17	
		$147 77
Call of Clergy (previous accounts)	$180 51	
Call of Clergy (1947 account)	27 17	
	$207 68	
Expended		
Call of Rev. Roy Graffam	$25 00	
Balance, Clergy		$182 68

TRUCK AND PLOW

Town of Strong	$2,216 26	
F. E. Willard	1 25	
Burchard Flagg	1 00	
Strong Water District	1 25	
Hector Cyr Co.	49 00	
		$2,268 76

Expended		
Edgar Walker, rent	$45 00	
Alfred Stefano, service	20 46	
Elm Crest Garage, service, supplies	176 08	
Strong Motor Service, service, supplies	109 48	
Pittsfield Motor, service, supplies	152 80	
E. L. Richards, service, supplies	197 61	
Horn Motors, service, supplies	390 82	
North End, supplies	151 31	
J. E. Winslow, supplies	11 50	
Ford and Smiley, cutting edges, welding	95 48	
Lawrence Curtis, inspection	1 00	
Starbird Lumber Co., tires, tubes	148 31	
Andrew Pratt, labor	10 50	
Currier Insurance Agency	118 75	
E. L. Kingsley, interest	201 33	
E. L. Kingsley, note	375 00	
		$2,205 43
		$63 33
1946 Operational Overdraft		59 36
Balance		$ 3 97

HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Available	$21,441 95
Expended	19,125 79
Balance	$2,316 16

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS

Available	$583 08	
Expended	134 16	
Balance		$448 92

FORSTER BUILDING

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 675 68
Livermore Falls Trust Co., dividends	2,373 95

Aurora Grange, rental	$ 5 00	
J. B. Ham Co. rental	10 00	
Excel Show, rental	10 00	
Ken. McKenzie, rental	10 00	
Texas Mack, rental	10 00	
Uncle Mac, rental	10 00	
Ken McKenzie, rental	10 00	
Strong Local No. 497, rental	24 00	
C. H. Brackley, for the Trustees	560 85	
		$3,699 48

Expended

H. B. Jennings, janitor	$712 00
A. N. Kennedy, janitor	203 25
Lewis Brackley, janitor	140 00
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	135 19
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	558 18
Lila Tainter, library janitor	50 00
B. D. Moore, supplies and service	80 10
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	28 33
E. L. Kingsley, supplies	6 71
W. L. Blake Co., supplies	326 25
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	27 75
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., supplies	118 07
Strong Wood Turning Corp., supplies	35 98
Maine Germicide Co., supplies	22 05
Hussey Hardware Co., supplies (mower)	179 00
Maine Coal Sales, supplies	26 20
Strong Motor Service, supplies	70
Harry E. Newman, supplies	5 09
First National Store, supplies	1 38
Rangeley Lakes Express, charges	7 06
Lelia Hardy, school lunch equipment	12 54
H. B. Daggett, school lunch equipment	19 00
Strong Water District, service	11 76
M. B. Richardson, labor	1 50
Casper Stuart, labor	10 12
Vernon Voter, labor	1 13

F. A. Richardson, labor	$ 10 85	
Bernell Walker, labor	5 85	
Ernest Taylor, labor	50 28	
Herbert Morey, labor	27 77	
Zena Kingsley, labor	3 75	
Roger Robinson, labor	1 50	
James Lambert, labor	4 00	
Roscoe Stevens, labor	98 00	
Herbert Durrell, labor	127 00	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co., service	6 31	
Hahnel Bros. Co., roof repairs	648 83	
		$3,699 48

Appro. 9090
Bridge 3904

January 27, 1948

FINAL STATEMENT OF JOINT FUND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VALLEY BROOK BRIDGES IN THE TOWN OF STRONG, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MAINE

Joint Fund

State of Maine	$20,293 70	
County of Franklin	11,130 00	
Town of Strong	5,676 30	
		$37,100 00

Expenditures

Engineering, advertising and inspection	$5,708 49	
Hector J. Cyr Company, contractor	36,029 27	
Labor and material, day-labor work	263 91	
		$42,001 67

DISTRIBUTION OF COST

		Share of Cost	Paid	Balance Due
State of Maine	56%	$23,520 94	$20,293 70	$3,227 24
County of Franklin	30%	12,600 00	11,130 00	1,470 50
Town of Strong	14%	5,880 23	5,676 30	203 93
		$42,001 67	$37,100 00	$4,901 67

$3,227 24 is transferred from appropriation
1,470 50 is requisitioned from Franklin County
203 93 is requisitioned from Town of Strong

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Available	$2,839 55
Expended	2,835 22
Balance	$ 4 33

WINTER ROADS

Available	$4,181 00
Expended	5,731 24
Overdraft	$1,550 24

VALLEY BROOK BRIDGES

Expended

State of Maine	$203 93
Maintenance Unimproved roads	State Funds
State of Maine	$997 84

Expended

F. A. Richardson, foreman	$30 00
Edgar Walker, labor	35 85
Bernell Walker, labor	24 65
Milton Walker, labor	11 18
Donald Burton, labor	22 13
Myron Witherell, labor	3 00
Howard Pillsbury, labor	6 10
Town of Strong, truck	78 75
Strong W. T. Corp., trucks	36 00
John Hagerstrom, truck	22 95
Starbird Lumber Co., truck and bulldozer	339 00
John Allen, truck	16 20
Richard Gray, truck	9 00
Carlton Denico, truck and shovel	90 45
Linwood Tyler, truck	24 75
Leo Lovell, truck	24 75
Freddie Koch, trucks	54 00
Leslie Adley, truck	24 75

Arthur Robbins, truck	$24 75	
Lewis Moore, truck	22 00	
Lawrence James, truck	20 25	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., shovel	67 50	
Col. Internal Revenue	9 85	
		$997 84

TRUE HILL ROAD

Available	$249 80
Expended	253 50
Overdraft	$3 70
Transfer from Excise Tax	3 70

HUTCHINS HILL ROAD

Available	$126 58
Expended	126 58

TAKACS ROAD

Appropriation		$300 00
Expended		403 75
Overdraft		$103 75
Transfer from Roads and Bridges	$ 4 33	
Transfer from Overlay	99 42	
		$103 75

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Available	$1,081 11
Expended	1,081 11

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Available	$1,329 52
Expended	1,298 02
Balance	$31 50

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriation		$374 80
Expended		
Treasurer of State		438 80
Overdraft		$64 00
Transfer from 1947 Excise Tax		64 00

STATE HIGHWAY PATROL — SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		$740 30
Expended		
Treasurer of State		740 30

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

State Assessment	$4,701 24	
County Assessment	1,684 80	
		$6,386 04
Expended		
Treasurer of State	$4,701 24	
County Treasurer	1,684 80	
		$6,486 04

EXCISE TAX — 1947

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 360 36	
H. B. Jennings, Col.	2,530 76	
		$2,891 12
Expended or Applied		
H. B. Jennings, Col.	$ 122 00	
Branham Printing Co., supplies	2 00	
Applied on 1947 assessment	1,500 00	
Transfer to Roads and Bridges	87 34	
3rd Class Maintenance	922 02	
State Aid Patrol	64 00	
True Hill	3 70	
Abatements	22 91	
Interest	19 71	
		$2,743 68
Balance		$ 147 44

EXCISE TAX 1948

H. B. Jennings, Col.	$1,410 21	
Abatements		
Appropriation	100 00	
Abatements	122 91	
	$22 91	
Transfer from 1947 Excise Tax	22 91	
Collection of Taxes		
Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 11 08	
Appropriation	450 00	
		$461 08
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.		433 36
		$27 72

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	$798 00	
Expended		
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	$798 00	

HYDRANTS

Appropriations	$537 60	
Expended		
Strong Water District	418 32	
Balance	$119 28	

LIBRARY

Appropriation	$100 00	
State of Maine, stipend	10 00	
		$110 00
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Treas.		$110 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$15 00	
Appropriation	15 00	
No Expenditures		$30 00

SPAULDING LAND LIME DAMAGE

Appropriation	$15 50	
Expended		
Herbert Spaulding	15 50	

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	$200 00	
Expended		
Dr. L. D. Moody	200 00	

SIDEWALKS

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 32	
Appropriation	200 00	
		$200 32
No Expenditures		

1946 TOWN TAX — NOT APPROPRIATED OR ASSESSED

H. B. Jennings, Col.	$30 00	
Transfer to Supt. of Schools Account	30 00	

SUPPLEMENTAL TAX

Available		$64 18
Applied to Town Officer's Account	$50 50	
Supt. of School's Account	13 68	
		$64 18

OVERLAY

Available		$404 55
Expended		
Hector J. Cyr Co., Stinchfield grading	$304 31	
Transfer to Takacs Road	99 42	
Supt. of Schools Account	82	
		$404 55

INTEREST

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$ 76 72	
Appropriation	160 00	
		$236 72

Expended		$256 43
		$ 19 71
Transfer from 1947 Excise Tax		19 71

TEMPORARY LOANS

Temporary Loan	$4,000 00
Expended	4,000 00

TOWN DEBT

Appropriation	$1,000 00
Expended	1,000 00

NOTES OUTSTANDING FEB. 15, 1948

Tractor	$1,360 10	
Truck and Plow	3,346 32	
Valley Brook Bridges	3,300 00	
		$8,006 42

SCHOOL — GYMNASIUM FUND

Appropriation	$1,000 00
Expended	1,000 00

CEMETERY

Appropriation	$500 00	
B. L. Vining, lot	40 00	
Percy A. Cook, lot	40 00	
		$580 00

Expended

F. A. Richardson, labor	$105 50
Dan Abbott, labor	35 00
Ivan Richardson, labor	42 45
Fred Taylor, labor	17 25
Milton Walker, labor	1 13
E. A. Richardson, labor, posts, wire	108 80
Nathan Adams, surveyor	28 00
J. A. Phillips, pipe	1 00

Robert Worthley, drag	$ 2 00	
Town of Strong, truck	1 88	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	50	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	47 97	
Col. Internal Revenue	16 05	
Lura Cox, land	150 00	
		$557 53
Balance		$ 22 47

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Cora A. Worthley	$200 00	
Alonzo P. Richards	100 00	
Helen Wescott	200 00	
Emma M. Allen	100 00	
J. E. Winslow, Exec.	200 00	
		$800 00
Expended		
Maine Savings Bank		$800 00

INSURANCE

Appropriation	$50 00	
Expended		
Eustis Insurance Agency	25 00	
Balance		$25 00

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Agency	Expiration Date	Amount
	Fortser Building	
Currier Insurance Agency,	Oct. 30, 1949	$11,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency,	Oct. 30, 1949	10,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency,	Nov. 11, 1949	2,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency,	Nov. 11, 1949	7,500 00
Currier Insurance Agency,	Nov. 11, 1949	7,500 00
		$38,000 00

School Building

Eustis Insurance Agency, Jan. 28, 1949	$10,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Oct. 29, 1948	2,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 23, 1949	3,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Nov. 23, 1949	5,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency, Nov. 25, 1949 contents	8,000 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Feb. 1, 1950	5,500 00
Currier Insurance Agency, Feb. 22, 1950	2,500 00
	$36,000 00

Fire Station

Eustis Insurance Agency, Mar. 20, 1950	$1,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency, Nov. 13, 1948	1,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency, Mar. 17, 1948 contents	1,600 00
	$3,600 00

Hitchcock House

Currier Insurance Agency, Jan. 26, 1950	$2,000 00

STATE POOR — FREEMAN

Due from State of Maine Feb. 15, 1947 (1944-1947 accounts)	$147 92
Received from State of Maine	147 92

Anthony LeClair

1946 Account	$32 12
Received from State of Maine	32 12
Received from State of Maine (accounts prior to 1944)	40 98
Transfer to Town Poor Account	40 98

STATE POOR — STRONG

Clyde Bailey

Expended	$ 7 71
Due from State of Maine	7 71

TOWN POOR

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$256 34

Appropriation	$150 00	
C. C. Holman (Mr. X Account)	20 00	
Transfer from State poor (Restore Town Poor Funds)	40 98	
		$467 32
Expended		
C. H. Lisherness, tramp		2 00
		$465 32
Transfer to Aid to Dependent Children		114 00
		$351 32

OTHER TOWN'S POOR

Theron Nile

Expended	$1,564 47
Received from Town of Rangeley	1,564 47

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	$225 00
Expended	339 00
Overdraft	$114 00
Transfer from Town Poor Account	114 00

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1947 — FEB. 15, 1948

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$5,928 24
Received from State Treasurer	
Bank Stock Tax	6 89
R. R. and Tel. Tax	12 68
School Fund	4,938 27
Tuition — Freeman	1,987 50
State Poor — Freeman	221 02
Bear Bounty	25 00
Library Stipend	10 00
Refund 4 Poll Taxes — Freeman	12 00
Highway Account	
State Highway — snow	1,133 50
State Aid	281 61
Unimproved Roads	997 84
Received From	
Town of New Vineyard — tuition	100 00
Town of Avon — tuition	66 75
Town of New Vineyard — snow removal	9 50
Town of Avon — snow removal	38 00
Strong Wood Turning Corp. — Sum. Rds.	22 50
Hervey Welch — gravel	2 00
H. J. Cyr — labor	6 00
Tarring	229 21
Town of Strong — transfer from Roads and Bridges to Hutchins Hill	49 25
Town of Strong — transfer from Town Roads to True Hill	49 80
Town of Strong — transfer from 1947 Excise Tax to Roads and Bridges	87 34

Town of Strong — transfer from 1947 Excise Tax to Third Class Maintenance	$ 922 02	
Treas. Veteran's Service Center	99 24	
Ralph Eustis — school repairs	9 00	
State of Maine — returned check, Retirement System	28 55	
Ministerial and School Fund	25 00	
Other Town's Poor	1,564 47	
Fire Department — mdse. and service	75 50	
Rent — Hitchcock house	150 50	
Town Poor	20 00	
Dividends on Forster Building	2,373 95	
Rent — Forster Building	89 00	
C. H. Brackley — Forster Building	560 85	
Cemetery Lots	80 00	
Licenses	13 00	
Temporary Loan	4,000 00	
1940 Tax Lien	37 70	
Costs	1 50	
1946 Taxes	86 07	
1947 Excise Tax	2,530 76	
1948 Excise Tax	1,410 21	
1947 Taxes	35,905 33	
1946 and 1947 Abatements	122 91	
Town of Strong — truck and plow earnings	2,268 76	
Cemetery Trust Funds	800 00	
		$69,389 22

ORDERS PAID

Town Orders	$57,544 02	
State Tax	4,701 24	
County Tax	1,684 80	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1948	5,459 16	
		$69,389 22

H. B. JENNINGS, Treasurer.

Report of Trust Funds

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Strong for the year ending Oct. 1, 1947:

	10-1-46 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-47 Expended	Balance
E. K. Hitchcock				
A/c Methodist Church	$100 31	$ 2 01	$2 32	$100 00
A/c Congo. Church	100 31	2 01	2 31	100 01
Cemetery	105 00	2 11	2 11	105 00
Town of Strong, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Julia H. May, Cemetery	147 00	2 95	4 95	145 00
Florence Ranger, Cemetery	107 00	2 15	4 15	105 00
George Hitchcock, Cemetery	846 00	17 00	8 00	855 00
Hunter & Blethen, Cemetery	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
Daggett Brothers, Cemetery	298 00	5 98	5 98	298 00
Charles A. Goldsmith, Cem.	103 00	2 07	3 07	102 00
Anna Bates Hunter, Cem.	103 00	2 07	3 07	102 00
Frederick E. Hardy, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Thayas F. Will, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Dora A. Page, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lucy M. Sweet, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Fred A. Page, Cemetery	50 00	1 00	1 00	50 00
Samuel Philbrick, Cemetery	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
George H. Allen, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lemuel & Thurza Crosby, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
William I. Smith, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Izabelle N. Toothaker, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Emma & Flora Dodge, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lizzie A. Waite, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Gilman Trust Fund, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
George Daggett, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
George M. D. Will, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Vining & Cates, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00

	10-1-46 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-47 Expended	Balance
Nellie F. Dyer, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Rena B. Johnson, Cemetery	300 00	6 03	6 03	300 00
Ellen E. Spaulding, Cem.	131 00	2 63	3 63	130 00
Harry G. & Ella M. Vining, Cemetery	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
Walker Fund, Cemetery	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Gilman & Mitchell, Cem.	151 00	3 03	4 03	150 00
Loring Hunter, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
H. O. Lisherness Est., Cemetery	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
Maude B. Hillier, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lincoln & Viola C. Worthley, Cemetery	152 00	3 05	4 05	151 00
Edmond A. Goodwin, Cem.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Silas Goodwin & Elsie Welch, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
U. G. & C. B. Weymouth, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Jeremiah Porter, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Etta & Clarence Nutting	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Alexander P. & Emily Gould Porter, Cem.	202 00	4 06	5 06	201 00
Mark & Delma Gray, Cem.	103 00	2 07	3 07	102 00
Elias H. Porter, Cemetery	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
Charles M. Dickey, Cem.	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
M. A. Will, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Elmer Gray, Cemetery	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Flora Smith, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Estelle A. Bell, Cemetery	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
David Richardson, Cem.	200 00	4 02	4 02	200 00
James F. Worthley Deposit Apr. 22, 1947, Cem.	200 00	1 67	1 67	200 00
Ambrose Allen Deposit June 16, 1947, Cem.	100 00	50	50	100 00
John W. Richards Deposit June 16, 1947, Cem.	100 00	50	50	100 00

John Soule				
Deposit June 16, 1947, Cem.	200 00	1 00	1 00	200 00
Winslow-Crandall				
Deposit Feb. 7, 1948, Cem.	200 00			200 00
The total of the Trust Funds			$7,325 01	

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS,

By the Trustees

RAYMOND D. NORRIS ERWIN E. TOOTHAKER
RALPH E. EUSTIS F. ARDINE RICHARDSON
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Sec. and Treas.

SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM FUND

Appropriation	$ 1,000 00	
Balance Feb. 15, 1947	22,682 17	
Received by donations	95 00	
Interest credited	437 70	
Cash on deposit in Franklin County Savings Bank Feb. 15, 1948		$24,214 87

C. H. MALLORY SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Balance Feb. 15, 1947	$113 72	
Interest credited	3 42	
Cash on deposit in Franklin County Savings Bank		$117 14

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$223 92		$223 92
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00

BABBIT TRUST FUND

	Debits	Credits
Cash	$100 00	$100 00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Treasurer.

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1948

Commitment		$37,680 89
1947 Excise Tax Applied		1,500 00
		$36,180 89
Supplementary Tax		70 08
Adjustment, Extra money, etc.		72
		$36,251 69
Paid Treasurer	$35,905 33	
Abatements	118 18	
Uncollected 1947	228 18	
		$36,251 69

UNCOLLECTED RESIDENTS

Brault, Alphonse	$ 3 59	
Doble, Leonard	48 76	
Farrer, Elwin	3 59	
Howard, Kenneth	3 00	
Jordan, Willis	3 00	
Roderique, Frank	3 00	
Sweetser, Donn	135 11	
Stanhope, Edmund	3 00	
Scribner, Verne	3 00	

NON-RESIDENT

Barker, Cyrus	13 28	
Fogg, Elmer	2 95	
Campbell, Reuben	5 90	
		$228 18

1947 ABATEMENTS

Bodge, Maurice	$3 00
Brown, Bernard	3 00
Bryant, Raymond	3 00
Bartlett, Leon	3 00
Barker, George	3 00
Berube, Maurice	3 00
Berry, Edward	3 00
Brackley, Glenn	3 00
Carver, George	3 00
Credonette, C.	3 00
Cumber, F.	3 00
Davis, Lincoln	3 00
Crocker, Harold	3 00
Gatcomb, Ernest	3 00
Gross, Ormond	3 00
Haines, Murray	3 00
Hood, Harry	3 00
Hanscomb, Chester	3 00
Ladd, Philip	3 00
Lowell, Richard	3 00
Labozzo, Samuel	3 00
Luce, Neil Jr.	3 00
Lane, Clifford	3 00
Larson, Godfrey	3 00
Little, Justin	3 00
McKinnon, Lawrence	3 00
Maxwell, Carroll	3 00
Parlin, Phil Jr.	3 00
Packard, Malcolm	3 00
Packard, Frank	3 00
Perry, Herbert	3 00
Scott, Ernest	3 00
Wass, Willis	3 00
Waltoner, Harold	3 59
White, Wendell	3 00
Whittier, Fred	3 00
Halloran, Ralph	3 59
Ham, Merrill	3 00

Dodge, Philip	$3 00	
		$118 18

1946 ABATEMENTS

Bragdon, Edward		4 73
		$122 91

H. B. JENNINGS, Collector.

Road Commissioner's Report

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	$2,500 00	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	22 50	
H. R. Welch, truck	2 00	
Hector Cyr Co.	6 00	
Albert Probert, tarvia	47 64	
Willard Curtis, tarvia	89 64	
C. H. Brackley, tarvia	69 52	
A. D. Pratt, tarvia	14 91	
Town of Strong, 1947 Excise Tax	87 34	
		$2,839 55

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$495 15
Milton Walker, labor	341 65
Earlon Walker, labor	42 25
Bernell Walker, labor	270 50
Maurice Walker, labor	23 50
Howard Pillsbury, labor	3 32
Andrew Chandler, labor	4 00
Vernon Voter, labor	82 66
Stanton Parlin, labor	5 90
Hobart Cole, labor	5 45
Don Lavoie, labor	3 43
F. A. Richardson, labor	19 50
Donald Burton, labor	24 84
Lewis Brackley, labor	6 00
Frank Foster, labor	3 65
Charles Lisherness, labor	45 55
Don Sweetser, with team	21 00
Arlie Welch, with team	63 00
Fred Blanchard, W. Freeman Bridge	16 00
Robert Worthley, tractor	23 50

Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	$ 11 25	
Frank Cole Jr., truck	16 00	
Town of Strong, truck	569 35	
Elm Crest Garage, service	75	
Farmington Welding, service	12 00	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	14 73	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	5 06	
Dan Pratt, grindstone	8 00	
Hector Cyr, shovel	17 25	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	119 35	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., grader	18 56	
True Hill Road, transfer	49 80	
Hutchins Hill Road, transfer	49 25	
Koppers Co. Inc., tarvia	289 02	
Col. of Internal Revenue	107 40	
Edgar Walker, gravel	46 60	
		$2,835 22
Balance		$4 33
Transfer to Takacs Road		$4 33

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$3,000 00	
New Vineyard	9 50	
Avon	38 00	
State of Maine	1,133 50	
		$4,181 00

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$212 72
Milton Walker, labor	125 85
Earlon Walker, labor	21 15
Bernell Walker, labor	66 00
C. H. Lisherness, labor	571 15
Frank Spencer, labor	487 00
Eddie Campbell, labor	264 40
Andrew Pratt, labor	148 80

Vernon Voter, labor	$ 17 02	
Coe Toothaker, labor	9 30	
Vertna Adams, labor	20 00	
John Knowlan, labor	8 65	
Clarence Knowlan, labor	5 25	
Andrew Chandler, labor	3 00	
Milton Voter, labor	5 00	
Howard Pillsbury, labor	42 00	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	3 20	
All State Steel, supplies	29 97	
Albert Probert, supplies	12 60	
E. L. Richards, supplies	35 57	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	21 89	
Edgar Walker, rent and sand	37 50	
Currier Insurance Agency, policies	54 15	
P. D. Richards, damage	10 00	
Files and O'Keefe, sander	45 00	
F. L. Butler Co., fuel oil	105 34	
Rangeley Motor Express	82	
State of Maine, salt	28 00	
Treasurer of State, fuel oil tax	8 00	
Lawrence James, service and truck	71 85	
Basil Melvin, service	6 00	
Farmington Welding, service	10 00	
Perkins Machine Shop, service	68 01	
Elm Crest Garage, service	1 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., service equipment and men	474 88	
Southworth Machine Co., tractor service, supplies	1,118 79	
Town of Strong, truck	1,356 91	
Leo Lovell, truck	15 13	
Leslie Adley, truck	15 13	
Lewis Moore, truck	15 13	
Freddie Koch, trucks	33 00	
Linwood Tyler, truck	15 13	
Col. of Internal Revenue	130 75	
		$5,731 24
Overdraft		$1,550 24

Cost of extensive repairs to tractor and tractor plow, amounting to approximately $1,365.00 is included in Winter Roads overdraft.

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	$799 50	
State of Maine	281 61	
		$1,081 11

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$ 25 85	
Milton Walker, labor	17 10	
Bernell Walker, labor	21 10	
Earlon Walker, labor	21 10	
Maurice Walker, labor	2 10	
Donald Burton, labor	16 35	
Vernon Voter, labor	21 10	
Coe Toothaker, labor	2 75	
Winston Beal, labor	2 75	
F. A. Richardson, labor	9 00	
Hobart Cole, labor	6 10	
Lewis Brackley, labor	6 60	
Herbert Colby, labor	4 95	
Frank Cole, truck	18 00	
Town of Strong, truck	30 00	
John Allen, truck	26 25	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	6 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., grader	35 00	
Col. of Internal Revenue	16 60	
Koppers Company Inc., tarvia	792 41	
		$1,081 11

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	$400 00	
Albert Probert	7 50	
Town of Strong, transfer from 1947 Excise	922 02	
		$1,329 52

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$ 99 85	
Milton Walker, labor	23 25	
Earlon Walker, labor	47 70	
Maurice Walker, labor	15 30	
Bernell Walker, labor	57 25	
Vernon Voter, labor	50 35	
Myron Witherell, labor	4 50	
Hobart Cole, labor	9 15	
Lewis Brackley, labor	9 75	
F. A. Richardson, labor	9 65	
Wallace Knowlan, labor	5 75	
Charles Lisherness, labor	20 70	
Frank Cole, truck	26 00	
Town of Strong, truck	130 00	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	48 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., grader	37 50	
Town of Farmington, tarvia	66 25	
Col. Internal Revenue	30 45	
Koppers Company Inc., tarvia	606 62	
		$1,298 02
Balance		$31 50

TRUE HILL ROAD

Appropriation	$200 00	
Town of Strong, transfer	49 80	
		$249 80

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$ 19 35
Milton Walker, labor	19 72
Bernell Walker, labor	12 22
Donald Burton, labor	5 90
Town of Strong, truck	29 37
John Allen, truck	14 24
Starbird Lumber Co., bulldozer	140 00

Edgar Walker, gravel	$9 00	
Col. Internal Revenue	3 70	
		$253 50
Overdraft		**$3 70**
Transfer from 1947 Excise Tax		$3 70

HUTCHINS HILL ROAD

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1947	$77 33	
Transfer from Roads and Bridges	49 25	
		$126 58

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$ 4 00	
Bernell Walker, labor	3 35	
Earlon Walker, labor	3 10	
Maurice Walker, labor	1 50	
Vernon Voter, labor	3 35	
Myron Witherell, labor	2 25	
F. A. Richardson, labor	1 50	
Town of Strong, truck	6 25	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., truck	6 00	
Koppers Company Inc., tarvia	95 28	
		$126 58

TAKACS ROAD

Appropriation		$300 00

Expended

Edgar Walker, foreman	$ 10 75	
Charles Lisherness, labor	9 75	
Town of Strong, truck	8 75	
Linwood Tyler, truck	24 75	
Leo Lovell, truck	24 75	
Freddie Koch, trucks	54 00	
Leslie Adley, truck	24 75	

Lewis Moore, truck	$ 24 75	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., shovel	67 50	
C. H. Brackley, bulldozer	114 00	
Edgar Walker, gravel	40 00	
		$403 75
Overdraft		$103 75
Transfer from Roads and Bridges	$ 4 33	
Transfer from Overlay	99 42	
		$103 75

ROAD INVENTORY

Tools and Equipment

Tractor and plow, road machine, steel road drag, 2 log drags, sander, 2 snow shovels, square point, 2 grub hoes, 2 bush clippers, 2 bush-snathes, 2 scythes, 2 picks, 2 square point shovels, 2 short hand spades, sod fork, leaf fork, catch basin spade.

All equipment except road machine and steel drag is in good condition.

Bridges near residences of Raymond Starbird and Charles Lewis need extensive repairs during the coming year.

EDGAR H. WALKER,

Commissioner.

Financial Report of Strong Public Library

Receipts

Brought forward Feb. 1, 1947	$ 7 78	
Association Dues	16 00	
Town of Strong	100 00	
State Stipend	10 00	
Fines for year	41 23	
Gift, Mary Davis	50 00	
Gift, T. R. Hodgkins	25 00	
Food Sale	49 32	
Miscellaneous	3 63	
		$302 96

Disbursements

Books	$220 30	
Magazine Renewals	30 50	
Postage and Supplies	31 31	
		282 11
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1948		$ 20 85

Total circulation for 1947 — 5,447 volumes.

ELIZABETH STARBIRD,

Treasurer.

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Strong:

I am going to paraphrase Henry J. Taylor's radio broadcast, "Your Land and Mine," and substitute, "Your Schools and Mine," with the emphasis on YOUR. During the past fifteen years one crisis after another has occurred in our national life with the unfortunate consequence that there is not today a sound public understanding of what the schools are trying to do.

You are unquestionably familiar with the sole emphasis schools have, in the past, placed on the three R's. Reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic are today essential and important learning activities of your schools. There is, however, this difference. Your public schools are the bulwark of democracy. They must strengthen democratic society and serve as a foundation for lasting world peace. They have, in addition to the three R's, the task of training pupils for certain understandings, attitudes, responsibilities and other intangible qualities that are measureable only in terms of behavior. The chief danger to our democratic society is not technological and administrative know-how; it is a lack of understanding, unhealthy attitudes of mind, refusal of citizens to accept civic responsibilities and inability to think and discriminate between fact and opinion that constitutes the real threat to our democratic way of life. The community, once it understands the tasks of the schools, will see its value and strongly support its program.

From time to time we read articles in the paper about America's real resource, or America's secret weapon. The authors usually have convincing arguments to support their claims that our huge deposits of coal, iron, oil, or our guns, tanks and bombs are responsible for our ranking position among nations. I would seek another profession if I did not honestly believe that our greatest resource and secret weapon is represented by the boys and girls now in school. Our greatest deposit of wealth and fortune lies in the development of the potentialities inherent in the mind of the little five year old that lives just across the street. How well are we doing, as a nation, by these five year olds? Mr. Benjamin Fine, New York Times Education Editor, returning

from a tour of the nation's schools wrote a book, entitled, "Our Children Are Cheated," outlining the deficiencies in our educational system. This is, indeed, a serious indictment of the schools of the nation — Your Schools. There is public indifference to education when we compare expenditures for schools with expenditures for such items as liquor, tobacco, horse racing and cosmetics. Can it be that people value these things more highly than they do an intelligent citizenry? I think not. There are many positive signs in this country which indicate a growing faith in the power of education.

During the past year, Strong has made considerable strides toward building a new school. The State Legislature has enacted and the townspeople have accepted a bill creating the Town of Strong School District. The Selectmen have appointed an exceedingly capable Board of Trustees. Their task is not simple; their responsibilities and decisions will require determined foresight. The facts are: that the youth population is increasing rapidly, more space is necessary for both elementary and secondary pupils, and the educational program suffers because proper facilities for special educational programs are non-existent. The decisions of this Board of Trustees will actually set the educational pattern, not for Strong alone, but for this entire area, for the next twenty-five to forty years. They must come to grips with such questions as: Do the citizens of Strong consider their present educational program adequate? Do we accept the principle of equal educational opportunity? Can we establish an educational program that will take individual differences into account? Do the financial resources available to the Town permit it to establish special educational programs now considered so essential for sixty per cent of the school population? How have other communities with limited financial resources, faced and answered the question of establishing an educational program that meets the demands the world today makes upon its youth? Are we willing to support a broad program for all our secondary school youth to include general and vocational education, or shall we continue to curtail our school program so that the few who wish may prepare for college? A multitude of other questions must be answered; the final decisions will affect not only the boys and girls as they progress through the school, but the future well being of the town as well. We place great faith in the Board of Trustees of the Town of Strong School District; may their decisions enable Strong to face the future with confidence and realism.

There are changes in our school organization that cannot await a new building. For the past few years, the eighth grade has been included in the High School. This arrangement has not been satisfactory educationally. Both groups suffer; the eighth grade is limited to four fifty-minute periods of instruction per day, and the High School is restricted in its course offering by the number of periods the teachers devote to eighth graders. A new class group alignment is in order, with the eighth grade separated from the High School. It would also be an asset to have a male teacher for the upper elementary grades. In the lower elementary grades, the pupil-teacher ratio must be closely watched. I have previously discussed the importance of the early elementary years. Teachers cannot do justice to a class group approaching fifty pupils in two grades.

It is not easy during this period of rising costs to keep school expenditures from showing a corresponding increase. The truth is that within the past four years, school expenditures have increased approximately 65%, from $12,800 in 1944-45 to an estimated $21,400 in 1948-49. The cost to the town, as shown by the town appropriation, however, has increased less than 20%, from $10,600 in 1944 to $12,500 in 1948. This increase represents no more than a normal cost resulting from increased school enrollments over the four year period. Within the State, the average tax rate for the support of schools increased five mills last year. For Strong, the school tax rate increased less than one mill. How much longer this favorable condition will prevail is impossible to determine.

In closing, you cannot appreciate my difficulty in conveying to you my sincere thanks for the excellent spirit of co-operation and loyalty the School Committee, teaching personnel and friends of the school have extended during the year just closed. Words alone never cover the situation adequately, but continued co-operation and loyalty will improve schools solidly for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIOTT A. DIGGLE,

Superintendent of Schools.

Strong School Department

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 30, 1948

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance 1946-47			$ 1,315 38	
Appropriation			13,000 00	
Interest			25 00	
Tuition:				
State		$1,987 50		
New Vineyard		100 00		
Avon	$66 75			
Credited previously —	19 50			
		47 25		
			2,134 75	
State School Fund:				
Teaching Positions		$4,161 15		
School Enrollment		577 12		
Closed Schools		200 00		
			4,938 27	
				$21,413 40

EXPENDITURES

Teachers, H. S.	$5,951 23	
Teachers, Elem.	6,799 97	
Fuel	997 20	
Janitor	1,501 21	
Conveyance	2,108 14	
Textbooks	449 51	
Supplies	1,289 98	
		$19,097 24
Unexpended Balance		$2,316 16

REPAIRS

Unexpended Balance 1946-47	$474 08	
Appropriation	100 00	
Refund from Eustis Est.	9 00	
		$583 08
Expended		134 16
Unexpended Balance		$448 92

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, High School

Robert L. Harlow	$1,295 25	
Harold M. Karkos	1,233 69	
Calvin N. Roberts	1,801 56	
Vincenta Cannariato	1,613 73	
Mrs. Wendall Cook	7 00	
		$5,951 23

Teachers, Elementary

Arlene Baker	$ 562 11	
Lydia Steward	767 52	
Marion B. Peary	1,355 94	
Dorothy Scamman	1,280 54	
Helen Heald	843 70	
Calvin Roberts	7 00	
Phyllis Roberts	7 00	
Adria Marston	7 00	
Rebecca Snell	128 50	
Frances Newton	262 01	
Ruth Morey	636 40	
Marguerite M. Randolph	466 28	
G. I. Lamb	231 71	
Vera Wing (Sec'y to Supt.)	244 26	
		$6,799 97

Fuel

S. J. Luce Coal Co.	$997 20

Janitor and Janitor's Supplies

Lewis Brackley	$1,362 88	
West Disinfecting Co.	35 75	
First National Store	1 08	
A. G. Eustis Estate	26 63	
Jim's Electrical Repair Shop	4 92	
Lulu Brackley	33 00	
Frank Foster	36 95	
		$1,501 21

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$851 00	
Lewis Brackley	663 00	
Philip Corey	228 00	
Charles Mallory	216 00	
Kenneth Clark	65 00	
J. Blaine Morrison Agency	85 14	
		$2,108 14

Textbooks

American Book Company	$ 34 46	
D. C. Heath & Co.	6 85	
Ginn and Company	89 25	
The Macmillan Co.	13 74	
Lyons & Carnahan	8 50	
Allyn and Bacon	5 24	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	26 39	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	126 20	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	8 45	
Yale University Press	114 12	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	2 25	
World Book Co.	4 08	
Thomas Y. Crowell Co.	4 13	
Doubleday & Co.	2 63	
The National Education Assn.	3 22	
		$449 51

Supplies

Maine Consolidated Light & Power Co.	$217 14	
Strong Water District	28 13	
Franklin Farmers Co-Op. Tel. Co.	32 07	
Ginn and Company	41 13	
Berry Paper Co.	57	
Public Affairs Committee	2 17	
Treasurer State of Maine	4 00	
J. L. Hammett Company	310 01	
Lyons and Carnahan	18 73	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	156 07	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	48 96	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	15 63	
Loring, Short & Harmon	114 13	
Master Products Co.	15 20	
Howard & Brown	10 40	
The Knowlton & McLeary Co.	21 60	
World Book Co.	5 06	
H. W. True & Co.	90	
Forster Mfg. Co.	80 00	
Univ. of Me. Audio Visual Service	22 47	
Farrow's Grocery	12 50	
Strong High School	4 99	
First National Stores	2 14	
Diah Sweet	75	
Strong Wood Turning Co.	4 50	
Macmillan Company	10 28	
Brodhead-Garrett Co.	4 35	
Webster Publishing Co.	33 29	
L. R. Lewis	9 97	
College Entrance Book Co.	19 00	
Chicago Apparatus Co.	43 84	
		$1,289 98

Repairs

Arthur L. Brassaw	$130 00	
C. V. Starbird Est.	4 16	
		$134 16

REPORT OF AUDIT

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1948 and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion the appended statements fairly presents, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1948.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
By R. M. MILLETT, C.P.A.

February 17, 1948

TOWN OF STRONG
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1947		February 15, 1948	
Cash		$5,928 24		$5,459 16
Savings Account — Special		113 72		117 14
Uncollected Taxes:				
1947				228 18
1946		60 80		
Tax Deeds:				
1936	$33 25		$33 25	
Prior Years	43 60			
		76 85		33 25
Tax Liens:				
1943	$44 00		$44 00	
1942	44 00		44 00	
1941	45 76		45 76	
1940	83 46		45 76	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		264 42		226 72

	February 15, 1947		February 15, 1948	
Accounts Receivable:				
Out of Town Poor	$ 32 12			
State Poor	147 92		$7 71	
School Tuition	19 50			
		$ 199 54		$ 7 71
Deferred Appropriations:				
Tractor Repairs — Special	$1,360 10		$1,360 10	
Tractor and Plow — Special	4,780 68		3,342 35	
Bridge Account	3,300 00		3,300 00	
		9,440 78		8,002 45
Overdrafts:				
Insurance	$589 60			
Fire Department			$1,286 34	
Winter Roads			1,550 24	
Valley Brook Bridge			203 93	
		589 60		3,040 51
		$16,673 95		$17,115 12

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable		$9,381 42		$8,006 42
Advances on Future Tax Assessments		113 72		117 14
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		360 36		1,410 21
Unexpended Balances:				
Town Charges	$ 44 17		$ 101 42	
Collection of Taxes	11 08		27 72	
Forster Building	675 68			
Fire Department	106 96			
Hydrants			119 28	
Care of Dump	6 88		8 93	
Third Class Roads			31 50	
Hutchins Hill Road	77 33			

	February 15, 1947	February 15, 1948
Sidewalks	$ 32	$ 200 32
Town Poor	256 34	351 32
Schools	1,315 38	2,316 16
Schoolhouse Repairs	474 08	448 92
Memorial Day	15 00	30 00
Hitchcock House	301 11	330 45
Insurance		25 00
Cemeteries		22 47
Interest	76 72	
	$3,361 05	$4,013 49
	$13,216 55	$13,547 26
General Fund Surplus	3,457 40	3,567 86
	$16,673 95	$17,115 12

SPECIAL FUNDS

Investments:		
Franklin County Savings Bank — Book No. 20828	$22,682 17	$24,214 87
Funds Held for Special Purposes:		
School and Gymnasium Fund	$22,682 17	$24,214 87

TRUST FUNDS

	February 15, 1947	February 15, 1948
Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery Funds	$6,332 00	$7,125 00
Church — Hitchcock	200 62	200 01
Church — Babbett	101 02	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	219 32	223 92
	$6,852 96	$7,648 93
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$8,852 96	$9,648 93
Trust Fund Principal	$8,852 96	$9,648 93

Town Clerk's Report

DEATHS — STRONG AND FREEMAN

1947

Mar. 3 — At Freeman, Maine, Jesse Searles, aged 66 yrs., 11 mos., 15 days.

Mar. 6 — At West Freeman, Maine, Nettie Huff, aged 65 yrs., 4 mos., 28 days.

Mar. 19 — At New Vineyard, Maine, Frank A. Roberts, aged 76 yrs., 6 mos., 8 days.

Mar. 27 — At Togus, Maine, John Herman Fellows, aged 49 yrs., 5 mos., 7 days.

Mar. 31 — At Lewiston, Maine, Cassie Parlin, aged 66 yrs., 10 mos., 22 days.

Apr. 13 — At Strong, Maine, John Reginald Kershner, aged 32 yrs., 2 mos., 9 days.

Apr. 19 — At Gardiner, Maine, Edith A. Haines, aged 66 yrs., 4 mos., 17 days.

Apr. 19 — At Brunswick, Maine, Clara Dickey Richardson, aged 82 yrs., 28 days.

Apr. 28 — At Farmington, Maine, Josephine H. McLeary, aged 75 yrs., 4 mos.

May 4 — At Farmington, Maine, Emma C. Dodge, aged 80 yrs., 4 mos., 16 days.

May 7 — At Strong, Maine, Clyde Durrell, aged 63 yrs., 10 days.

May 21 — At Strong, Maine, Chester Arthur Cox, aged 64 yrs., 11 mos., 7 days.

May 22 — At Freeman, Maine, Ida May Huff, aged 66 yrs., 21 days.

June 1 — At Kinfield, Maine, Horace G. Winter, aged 74 yrs.

June 5 — At Cornville, Maine, Lillian E. Dolbier, aged 73 yrs., 5 mos., 23 days.

June 11 — At Guilford, Maine, Floyd Melvin Mitchell, aged 51 yrs., 9 mos., 16 days.

July 7 — At Farmington, Maine, James M. Sample, aged 78 yrs., 1 mo., 25 days.

July 15 — At Strong, Maine, Elmina Hutchins, aged 86 yrs., 10 mos., 16 days.

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Aug. 21 — At Togus, Maine, Algernon C. Kingsley, aged 50 yrs., 3 mos., 3 days.

Aug. 23 — At Farmington, Maine, Charley R. Copp., aged 74 yrs., 3 mos., 7 days.

Sept. 10 — At Farmington, Maine, Edmund Alphonzo Goodwin, aged 76 yrs., 2 mos., 7 days.

Sept. 25 — At Freeman, Maine, Reta A. McKenney, aged 69 yrs., 2 mos., 29 days.

Oct. 12 — At Strong, Maine, Linda Lou Brackley, aged 5 yrs., 12 days.

Oct. 30 — At Cumberland, Maine, Allan B. Blanchard, aged 78 yrs., 11 mos., 27 days.

Nov. 8 — At Strong, Maine, Mildred J. Violette, aged 36 yrs., 6 mos., 15 days.

Nov. 13 — At Farmington, Maine, Baby Boy Espeaignette, new born.

Nov. 15 — At Farmington, Maine, Carroll N. Blackwell, aged 88 yrs., 9 mos., 14 days.

Nov. 23 — At Farmington, Maine, Serena M. Newell, aged 62 yrs., 5 mos., 22 days.

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Jan. 4 — At Strong, Maine, Lura Wyman Cox, aged 59 yrs., 8 mos., 9 days.

Jan. 5 — At Freeman, Maine, Elmer Ellsworth Fish, aged 87 yrs., 8 mos., 14 days.

Jan. 14 — At Kingfield, Maine, Mabel Eva Thompson, aged 69 yrs., 6 mos., 27 days.

R. D. NORRIS,

Town Clerk.

Fire Chief's Report

G. E. MARDEN, Chief

Jan. 23, 1947 — Chimney fire at Mrs. J. M. Rounds.
Feb. 14, 1947 — Truck fire on Strong-Farmington road.
Mar. 13, 1947 — Chimney fire at Earle Brackley's.
Mar. 31, 1947 — Chimney fire at Albert Lake's.
May 11, 1947 — Chimney fire at Ray Huff's.
May 11, 1947 — Woods fire on South Strong road.
May 18, 1947 — Chimney fire at H. Stanley Allen's.
June 7, 1947 — Fire at Forster Mfg. Co.
June 28, 1947 — Fire at Town Dump.
July 15, 1947 — Chimney fire at Fred McCleary's.
Aug. 3, 1947 — Fire at Forster Mfg. Mill Dump.
Aug. 22, 1947 — Fire at Town Dump.
Oct. 12, 1947 — Fire at Strong Wood Turning Corp.
Oct. 20, 1947 — Brush fire on Kingfield road.
Oct. 25, 1947 — Chimney fire at C. H. Brackley's.
Oct. 26, 1947 — Woods fire at Starbird's upper mill.
Nov. 8, 1947 — Chimney fire at Harry Lambert's.
Dec. 4, 1947 — Fire at Forster Mfg. Co.
Dec. 6, 1947 — Chimney fire at Roy McCourt's.
Dec. 9, 1947 — Chimney fire at Malcolm Burdin's.
Dec. 17, 1947 — Chimney fire at Fred McCleary's.
Dec. 19, 1947 — Chimney fire at C. H. Brackley's.
Dec. 23, 1947 — Chimney fire at Albert Elliott's.
Jan. 23, 1948 — Chimney fire at Henry Cook's.
Jan. 27, 1948 — Chimney fire at Mrs. Inez Stinchfield's.

Report of Public Health Nurse

STRONG — DECEMBER 1947

Public health nursing service has been carried on this year in Strong on an emergency basis. In towns where funds are not raised for complete public health service it is necessary to limit the amount of work which the nurse is able to do. It is impossible to carry on the health education and important visits to expectant mothers, new mothers, infants, preschool and school children, and adults, who might benefit from the nurse's assistance with health problems.

During the past year conferences have been held with your physicians and home visits have been made according to the advice given at this time. An attempt is made to secure medical supervision and treatment for all handicaped children; and, when advised by the family physician, the facilities of the Crippled Children's Clinics are offered.

Communicable disease control continues to be an important phase of public health work and home visits are made to cases needing advice or assistance.

It has been encouraging to your nurse to find that families which have been visited have been appreciative and understanding of the nurse's work.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL J. HOYT, R. N.,

Public Health Nurse.

Report of School Physician

February 16, 1948

Citizens of Strong:

Greeting:

During Spring term 1947 physical examination was given to 56 High School students and to 172 students in the grades, making a total of 228 examined.

Particular attention was given to determining condition of eyes, ears, teeth and throat.

Of the number examined 202 were given recommendation slips to bring to parents' attention the need for required professional services.

Dental attention was especially needed, there being 157 with defective teeth.

During Fall term, soon after summer vacation, examination found that only 42 of the 202 who had been given recommendation slips, had had needed professional attention.

Seven point certificates were awarded to the 26 found to be O. K. at Spring examination and to the 42 who had met requirements during vacation.

I wish to call to your attention that when only one out of five students receive proper corrective measures in regard to health problems it suggests the need of more co-operation on the part of parents if a healthy student body is to be maintained in our school.

Signed,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

School Physician.

Report of Health Officer

February 16, 1947

Citizens of Strong:

Greeting:

During the past year sanitation in regard to sewerage disposal in our town has been somewhat improved.

Necessary tests on water and milk supplies have been made and met standards required by law.

Chicken pox has been quite prevalent, especially among younger children, but none with severe complications or serious consequences.

The recent epidemic of whooping cough was not surprising when we consider the facts, namely, it was the first in our community in several years, and during the epidemic here the state-wide incidence of same was nearly twice that of a year ago.

One patient with Scarlet Fever has been reported but thus far this disease has been confined to that one home, which was quarantined.

All cases of communicable disease have been handled in a manner approved by State Health Department Supervisor for this area, who has visited here on several occasions.

Previous to closing of school last Spring, Small Pox vaccine was administered to 146 in this community.

Signed,

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

Health Officer.

Annual Report

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. . . "Happily, the government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only that those who live under its protection should demean themselves as good citizens." . . .

From a letter written by
George Washington in 1790

Annual Report

OF THE

Municipal Officers

AND

Board of Education

OF THE TOWN OF

Strong, Maine

FOR THE FISCAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1949

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please preserve it and bring it to Town Meeting as no duplicate will be issued.

Farmington, Maine
The Knowlton & McLeary Co., Printers
1949

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen
F. A. RICHARDSON

Assessors
ANDREW CHANDLER
STANLEY ALLEN

Overseers of Poor

Town Clerk
RAYMOND NORRIS

Treasurer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Road Commissioner
EARLE M. BRACKLEY

Superintendent of Schools
WILLIAM H. SOULE

School Committee
VERNE FLOOD
EVA EUSTIS
RALPH EUSTIS (resigned)
STANLEY ALLEN

Health Officer
L. D. MOODY, D.O.

Fire Chief
GRANGIE MARDEN

Sexton
DANIEL ABBOTT (acting)

Sealer of Weights and Measures
STANLEY ALLEN

Constables
HERVEY B. JENNINGS
ALMON D. PRATT

Truant Officer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Town Warrant

County of Franklin, SS.

To Hervey B. Jennings, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine, GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said Town on Saturday, the fifth day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to elect or instruct the Selectmen to appoint a Road Commissioner.

Art. 5. To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year, or in case of minor officers, to authorize the Selectmen to fill by appointment.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Wages, Fuel, Janitor Service, Conveyance, Textbooks, Reference Books and School Supplies for desk and laboratory use, for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Repairs on Schoolhouse for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the salary of the Superintendent of Schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of Taxes.

Art. 11. To see when the Taxes shall be collected and made payable.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 1% on all 1949 Real and Property Taxes paid on or before June 1, 1949, and charge interest at 4% from October 1, 1949 on all Real and Property Taxes remaining unpaid on December 15, 1949.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Discounts and Interest.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for breaking Winter Roads in 1949-1950.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for State Aid Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 26, Chapter 20, R. S. of 1944.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of seven hundred forty dollars and thirty cents ($740.30) for maintenance and snow removal work on State Highway No. 4 as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of four hundred seventy-five dollars ($475.00) for State Aid Patrol as provided in the R. S. of 1944.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to use any available funds from the 1949 Excise Tax on a matching basis with the State Highway Commission for reconstruction work on Third Class Road No. 1 (West Freeman).

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Aid to Dependent Children for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to employ the services of a School Physician for the ensuing year, and appropriate and raise money for same.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) for Public Health Nursing in Strong, said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health.

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) to be paid to the State of Maine publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82 of the R. S. of Maine.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Town Dump for the ensuing year.

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Cemeteries for the ensuing year.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for repair or construction of Sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the School and Gymnasium Fund, said sum to be paid to the Treasurer of the Town of Strong School District.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to accept two hundred dollars ($200.00) deposited with the Town Treasurer by B. F. Mitchell, and comply with his request by creating the W. W. Mitchell Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of one hundred fifty-three dollars and twenty-one cents ($153.21) to cover the following overdrafts: Winter Roads — $109.61; Roads and Bridges — $43.60.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to complete the section of State Aid Road No. 3 between the site of former S. R. & R. L. R. R. Station at South Strong and the Hammond Place, so called, by spending funds in anticipation of future sums to be voted annually by the Town, and allocated by the State of Maine for State Aid Construction, provided this project and plan is approved by the State Highway Commission.

Art. 42. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, Feb. 15, 1949.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
A. J. CHANDLER,
H. S. ALLEN,

Selectmen of Strong.

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ITEM 1

Account	Raised 1948	Budget 1949	Article No.
Schools	$12,500 00	$16,600 00	6
Repairs		1,000 00	7
Superintendent of Schools	625 00	675 00	8
Town Charges	475 00	450 00	9
Collection of Taxes	450 00	475 00	12
Discounts and Interest	425 00	450 00	14
Roads and Bridges	3,200 00	3,000 00	15
Winter Roads	3,000 00	3,000 00	16
State Aid	799 50	799 50	17
State Highway	740 30	740 30	18
State Aid Patrol	438 80	475 00	19
Town Debt	1,360 10	2,000 00	21
Hydrants	315 00	420 20	22
Street Lights	798 00	798 00	23
Fire Department	1,000 00	1,000 00	24
Town Officers	1,100 00	1,100 00	25
Support of Poor	250 00	100 00	26
Dependent Children	500 00	300 00	27
School Physician		200 00	28
Public Health Nurse		150 00	29
Maine Publicity		50 00	30
Library Books	100 00	150 00	31
Insurance	485 00	750 00	32
Town Dump	45 00	75 00	33
Cemeteries	100 00	100 00	35
Sidewalks	200 00	200 00	36
Abatement of Taxes	100 00	100 00	37
School-Gymnasium	1,200 00	2,000 00	38
Overdrafts	1,550 24	153 21	39

Assessors' Department

ITEM 2

VALUATION AND ASSESSMENTS 1948

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	$407,647 00	$99,388 00	$507,035 00
Non-Resident	38,960 00	5,759 00	44,719 00
	$446,607 00	$105,147 00	$551,754 00

Appropriations made at Town meeting	$34,477 21	
State Tax	4,701 24	
County Tax	1,684 80	
Overlay	213 57	
Total		$41,076 82
Less Excise Tax Collections		1,500 00
Amount Assessed		$39,576 82

Rate $7.00 per $100.00		
Assessed on Real and Personal Property	$38,622 82	
318 Polls at $3.00 (No. Polls not taxed 27)	954 00	
Original Commitment		$39,576 82
Supplementary Taxes		63 25
Final Commitment		$39,640 07

Real Estate Classified

Land	$131,542 00	
Buildings	315,065 00	
Total		$446,607 00

Personal Property Classified

Taxable Livestock and Poultry	No.	Appro. Ave. Val.	Total Value
Horses	92	$122 00	$11,265 00
Colts	1	30 00	30 00
Steers, Oxen, etc., over 18 mos.	40	34 00	1,380 00
Milk Cows	246	36 00	9,000 00
Heifers (over 2 yrs.)	34	28 00	980 00
Heifers (18 mos.-2 yrs.)	49	22 00	1,085 00
Sheep	33	6 00	198 00
Goats	10	10 00	100 00
Domestic Fowl	455	1 00	455 00
			$24,493 00

Exempt Livestock and Poultry			
Cattle (under 18 mos.)	167	$15 00	$2,505 00
Sheep	225	6 00	1,350 00
Swine	29	12 00	348 00
Domestic Fowl	1,038	1 00	1,038 00
			$5,241 00

Other Personal Property		
Stock in Trade	$18,489 00	
Logs	2,300 00	
Lumber	16,100 00	
Boats	255 00	
Gas Pumps and Attachments	2,025 00	
Musical Instruments	3,455 00	
Radios	4,105 00	
Furniture	9,225 00	
Finished Product in Mills	500 00	
Tractors	860 00	
Machinery and Equipment	16,450 00	
Other Property	6,890 00	
		$80,654 00
Taxable Livestock (brought forward)		24,493 00
Total		$105,147 00

Industrial and Utility Property

Light and Power Companies	$10,450 00
Saw Mills	8,000 00
Wood Working Mills	19,900 00
Other Industrial Companies	22,275 00

PROPERTY NOT LISTED AS RESOURCES

School House	$20,000 00
School Property	16,000 00
Fire Station, Truck	4,500 00
Town Safe	200 00
Road Equipment	400 00
Forster Building	30,000 00
Endowment Fund	70,000 00
Tractor and Plow	4,000 00
Truck and Plow	4,000 00
Sander	150 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Department

ITEM 3

TOWN CHARGES

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1948	$101 42	
Appropriation	475 00	
David O. Lawry, license	2 00	
George S. James, license	2 00	
State of Maine, Bank Stock tax	7 13	
State of Maine, refund on Dog tax	112 60	
State of Maine, R. R. and Tel. tax	16 20	
State of Maine, refund Freeman Poll taxes	15 00	
Town of Strong, W. H. adjustment	2 55	
		$733 90

Expended

Knowlton & McLeary Co., town reports, supplies	$203 69
Millett, Fish and Dresser, Audit	150 00
Maine Municipal Association	35 00
Minnie Allen, elections	12 00
Jennie Pratt, elections	12 00
Gladys Luce, elections	12 00
Edythe Richards, elections	12 00
H. B. Jennings, night watch and supplies	14 72
A. D. Pratt, night watch	4 00
G. E. Marden, night watch	4 00
M. B. Richardson, labor	5 00
Bernell Walker, labor	1 50
Burchard Durrell, labor	1 50
Andrew Pratt, labor	3 00
Andrew Chandler, Assessor's conference	5 00

Stanley Allen, Assessor's conference	$ 5 00	
F. E. Knowlton, recording	10 80	
Farmers Telephone Co., service	9 68	
Charles Spear, refund	2 95	
W. H. Soule, supplies	5 55	
L. R. Lewis, supplies	12 57	
W. and L. E. Gurley, supplies	6 44	
Peoples National Bank, supplies	6 51	
Branham Printing Co., supplies	1 50	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	50	
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	88	
Marks Printing House, supplies	52 71	
F. A. Richardson, postal supplies	6 22	
		$596 72
		$137 18
Transfer to Supt. of Schools Account	$6 84	
Transfer to Third Class Re-construction	23	
		7 07
Balance		$130 11

ITEM 4

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		$1,100 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, Selectman	$500 00	
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00	
H. S. Allen, Selectman	125 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer	200 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. Cem. Trust Funds	25 00	
R. D. Norris, Clerk	52 87	
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00	
A. D. Pratt, Constable	5 00	
Verne Flood, School Committee	10 00	
R. E. Eustis, School Committee	5 00	
Eva Eustis, School Committee	5 00	

H. S. Allen, School Committee	$10 00	
Daniel Abbott, Sexton (acting)	5 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. M. and S. Fund	5 00	
Dr. L. D. Moody, Health Officer	10 00	
		$1,102 87
Overdraft		$2 87
Transfer from 1947 Polls (not app. not assessed)		2 87

ITEM 5
FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

Appropriation		$980 00
Expended		
Maine Fire Equipment Co., hose	$450 00	
Justin A. McCarthy Co., hose	26 43	
Eastern Fire Equipment Co., Pumper-hose	355 98	
American Express Co., charges	1 00	
		$833 41
Balance		$146 59

ITEM 6
FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	$1,000 00	
State of Maine, refunds	134 75	
B. L. Beal, service	5 00	
D. E. Potter, service	5 00	
Clarence Huff, service	5 00	
		$1,149 75
Expended		
Currier Insurance Agency, policies	$182 95	
Farmington Oil Co., fuel	56 93	
Maine Cons. Power Co., service — supplies	48 09	
Franklin Farmers' Tel. Co., service	21 54	
Elm Crest Garage, service	20 65	
Grangie Marden, Chief	68 50	
Payrolls	540 50	

Maine Fire Equipment Co., supplies or equip.	$147 00	
Eastern Fire Equipment Co., supplies or equip.	6 27	
Justin E. McCarthy Co., supplies or equip.	6 42	
J. E. Winslow, supplies	19 49	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., supplies	5 59	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., supplies	17 10	
W. W. Small Co., supplies	12 00	
James Lambert, supplies	11 55	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	3 95	
L. R. Lewis, supplies	1 40	
Probert's Market, supplies	2 50	
E. L. Richards, supplies	1 30	
		$1,113 73
Balance		$36 02

ITEM 7

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	$798 00
Expended	
Maine Cons. Power Co.	796 25
Balance	$1 75

ITEM 8

HYDRANTS

Balance	$119 28	
Appropriation	315 00	
		$434 28
Expended		
Strong Water District		424 68
Balance		$9 60

ITEM 9

TOWN DUMP

Balance Feb. 15, 1948	$ 8 93	
Appropriation	45 00	
		$53 93
Expended		
Alonzo Sudsbury, labor	$ 3 00	
Ivan Richardson, labor	3 75	
Strong Wood Turning Corp.	12 00	
Starbird Lumber Co.	36 00	
		$54 75
Overdraft		$ 82
Transfer from 1947 Tax		82

ITEM 10

FORSTER BUILDING

Livermore Falls Trust Co., dividends	$2,357 78	
Ken MacKenzie, rent	30 00	
Uncle Mac, rent	20 00	
E. L. Richards, rent	10 00	
Aurora Grange, rent	5 00	
Mary Vanderhoff, rent	60 00	
Price Portrait Studio, rent	12 00	
		$2,494 78
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, janitor	$920 00	
A. N. Kennedy, janitor	120 00	
Lila Tainter, janitor	50 00	
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	644 83	
Strong Water District, service	11 76	
C. H. Brackley, loan	570 67	
Farmers' Tel. Co., service	1 75	
Maine Coal Sales Co., service	28 04	
Maine Cons. Power Co., service	177 14	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Ex., charges	72	

E. M. Brackley, labor	$ 1 00	
Basil Melvin, labor	3 75	
Leonard Hutchins, labor	3 38	
Frank Spencer, labor	2 63	
Roscoe Stevens, labor	23 75	
Andrew Pratt, labor	5 25	
Farrow's Grocery, supplies	16 33	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	7 49	
L. R. Lewis, supplies	1 25	
R. D. Norris, supplies	1 16	
E. L. Richards, supplies	2 00	
J. E. Winslow, supplies	2 78	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., supplies	2 64	
H. L. Morey, supplies and labor	11 00	
Casper Stuart, supplies and labor	49 99	
James Lambert, supplies and labor	28 69	
F. E. Willard, repairing chairs	79 45	
		$2,767 45
Overdraft		$272 67

ITEM 11

TRUCK AND PLOW

Balance	$ 3 97	
Town of Strong	1,562 50	
Dan Abbott	5 00	
State of Maine	91 81	
		$1,663 28
Expended		
Elm Crest Garage, service, supplies, etc.	$427 26	
Horn Motors	183 92	
Lawrence Curtis	76 82	
E. L. Richards	225 91	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.	160 47	
J. E. Winslow	17 65	
Friend Motor Sales	278 55	
Starbird Lumber Co.	3 00	

New England Petroleum, supplies	$ 30 25	
Probert's Market, supplies	96 15	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	50	
E. M. Brackley, expense	4 05	
Frank Spencer, labor	9 94	
Basil Melvin, labor	3 38	
Lawrence James, labor	50	
Edgar Walker, rent	30 00	
E. L. Kingsley, interest	117 12	
Currier Ins. Agency	122 75	
		$1,832 11
Operational Overdraft		$168 83

ITEM 12

STATE AID PATROL

Appropriation	$438 80
Expended	456 00
Overdraft	$17 20
Applied from Overlay	17 20

ITEM 13

STATE HIGHWAY

Appropriation	$740 30
Expended	740 30

ITEM 14

MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS

Expended	$886 07
State of Maine	886 07

ITEM 15

STATE AID NO. 1—VALLEY ROAD

Loan	$2,000 00	
Applied from 1948 Excise Tax	1,000 00	
		$3,000 00
Expended		
Treasurer of State		$3,000 00

ITEM 16
LISHERNESS BRIDGE

Available	
Loans	$4,961 00
Expended	
Treasurer of State	$4,961 00

ITEM 17
TOWN ROADS — TAR

Expended	
Treasurer of State	$153 38
Applied from Overlay	153 38

ITEM 18
STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	$ 799 50	
State of Maine	1,656 08	
		$2,455 58
Expended		
Joseph Rackliff, Foreman	$140 62	
Earle Brackley, labor	107 30	
Frank Spencer, labor	55 50	
Norman Childs, labor	5 62	
Dan Abbott, labor	13 50	
Donald Abbott, labor	13 50	
Glenn Brackley, labor	46 57	
Albert Reed, labor	18 00	
Leonard Hutchins, labor	37 50	
Bernell Walker, labor	12 10	
Erlon Walker, labor	12 10	
Paul Jay, labor	13 95	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	130 15	
Alfred Robbins, Bulldozer	582 00	
Col. Internal Revenue	15 15	
Town Charges, adjust W. H. Tax	2 55	
Town of Strong, truck	162 90	
Milo Haney, truck	261 25	
C. H. Brackley, truck	22 95	

E. L. Richards, truck	$142 57	
Lewis Moore, truck	94 30	
Arthur Robbins, truck	81 00	
Frank Brahmer, truck	103 50	
Dean Stewart, truck	103 50	
Martin Bishop, truck	79 65	
Fred Frederick, truck	81 00	
Alfred Redlevske, truck	81 00	
Roy Huff, truck	35 15	
		$2,455 58

ITEM 19

THIRD CLASS RE-CONSTRUCTION — WEST FREEMAN

Expended		$2,024 26
Available		
State of Maine, grant	$ 500 00	
Applied from 1948 Excise Tax	1,417 79	
Applied from Overlay	42 99	
Applied from Supplemental Tax 1948	63 25	
Applied from Town Charges	23	
		$2,024 26

ITEM 20

WINTER ROADS

Available	$4,153 72
Expended	4,263 33
Overdraft	$109 61

ITEM 21

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Available	$3,310 00
Expended	3,353 60
Overdraft	$43 60

ITEM 22
HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Available		$21,715 48
Expended		21,383 26
Balance		$332 22

ITEM 23
SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS

Available		$448 92
Expended		442 68
Balance		$6 24

ITEM 24
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation		$625 00
Expended		
E. A. Diggle	$ 25 57	
William Soule	611 13	
Col. Internal Revenue	5 30	
		$642 00
Overdraft		$17 00
Transfer $10.16 (1947 Tax) — $6.84 (Town Charges)		17 00

ITEM 25
SCHOOL LUNCH

Appropriation		$250 00
Expended		118 00
Balance		$132 00

ITEM 26
LIBRARY

Appropriation	$100 00	
State of Maine, Stipend	10 00	
		$110 00
Expended		110 00

ITEM 27
CEMETERIES

Balance	$ 22 47	
Appropriation	100 00	
E. C. Newell, lot	40 00	
Dorris Crowell, lot	40 00	
H. & C. Smith, lot	40 00	
H. & I. Daggett, lot	40 00	
R. C. Smith, lot	8 00	
Days & Mardens, lot	15 00	
L. Hutchins, lot	15 00	
		$320 47
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, labor	$42 90	
Andrew Pratt, labor	3 00	
Ivan Richardson, labor	52 35	
E. A. Richardson, labor	57 50	
Col. of Internal Revenue	7 00	
		$162 75
Balance		$157 72

ITEM 28
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

B. F. Mitchell	$200 00
Expended	
Maine Savings Bank	$200 00

ITEM 29
SIDEWALKS

Balance Feb. 15, 1948	$200 32	
Appropriation	200 00	
No Expenditures		$400 32

ITEM 30
MEMORIAL

Balance	$30 00
No Expenditures	

ITEM 31

HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Melzer Phillips, rent (11 months)		$118 25
Expended		
A. D. Pratt, labor	$23 00	
Town of Strong, tax	42 00	
Strong Water District, service	4 00	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	5 72	
		$74 72
1948 Operating Balance		$43 53
High School (previous balance)	$147 77	
High School (1948 account)	21 76	
	$169 53	
Paid High School	147 77	
Balance High School		$21 76
Call of Clergy (previous balance)	$182 68	
Call of Clergy (1948 account)	21 77	
	$204 45	
Paid on call of Rev. Roy Graffam	40 00	
		$164 45

ITEM 32

TEMPORARY LOANS

Temporary Loan	$4,000 00
Expended	4,000 00

ITEM 33

TOWN DEBT

Appropriation	$1,360 10
Expended	1,360 10

NOTES OUTSTANDING FEB. 15, 1949

Truck and Plow	$3,346 32	
Valley Brook Bridges	3,300 00	
Valley Road	2,000 00	
Lisherness Bridge	4,961 00	
		$13,607 32

ITEM 34

INTEREST

Appropriation	$325 00
Expended	253 10
Balance	$71 90

ITEM 35

DISCOUNTS AND INTEREST — 1948 TAXES

Appropriation	$100 00	
Interest received	55 15	
		$155 15
Expended		
Discounts allowed		98 27
Balance		$56 88

ITEM 36

1947 TOWN TAX (POLLS)

Not Appropriated or Assessed

H. B. Jennings, Col.		$15 00
Transfer to Town Officers	$ 2 87	
Transfer to Insurance	1 15	
Transfer to Town Dump	82	
Transfer to Superintendent of Schools	10 16	
		$15 00

ITEM 37

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1948	$ 27 72	
Appropriation	450 00	
		$477 72

Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.		$466 41
Balance		$11 31

ITEM 38

EXCISE TAX 1947-1948

Balance 1947 Excise	$ 147 44	
H. B. Jennings, 1948 Excise	3,880 35	
		$4,027 79
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.		110 00
Balance		$3,917 79
Applied on Taxes	$1,500 00	
Applied on Valley Road Account	1,000 00	
Applied on Third Class Re-construction	1,417 79	
		$3,917 79

ITEM 39

EXCISE TAX 1949

H. B. Jennings, Col.	$1,115 14

ITEM 40

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Assessed		$6,386 04
Expended		
Treasurer of State	$4,701 24	
H. E. Kyes, Treas.	1,684 80	
		$6,386 04

ITEM 41

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Assessed	$63 25
Transfer to Third Class Re-construction	63 52

ITEM 42
ABATEMENTS

Appropriation		$100 00
Expended		63 79
Balance		$36 21

ITEM 43
OVERLAY

Available		$213 57
Transfer to Town Roads (Tar)	$153 38	
Transfer to State Aid Patrol	17 20	
Transfer to Third Class Re-construction	42 99	
		$213 57

ITEM 44
SCHOOL — GYMNASIUM FUND

Appropriation	$1,200 00
Expended	
H. B. Daggett, Treas. Town of Strong School District	1,200 00

ITEM 45
INSURANCE

Balance	$ 25 00	
Appropriation	485 00	
		$510 00
Expended		
Eustis Insurance Agency	$443 75	
Currier Insurance Agency	67 40	
		$511 15
Overdraft		$1 15
Transferred from 1947 Polls (not App. not Assessed)		1 15

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Agency	Expiration Date	Amount
Forster Building		
Currier Ins. Agency (2 policies)	Oct. 30, 1949	$21,000 00
Currier Ins. Agency (3 policies)	Nov. 11, 1949	17,000 00
		$38,000 00
School Building or Contents		
Currier Ins. Agency (2 policies)	Nov. 23, 1949	$ 8,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Nov. 25, 1949	8,000 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Feb. 1, 1950	5,500 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Feb. 22, 1950	2,500 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Oct. 29, 1951	2,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Jan. 28, 1952	10,000 00
		$36,000 00
Fire Station or Contents		
Eustis Insurance Agency	Mar. 20, 1950	$1,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency	Mar. 17, 1951	1,600 00
Eustis Insurance Agency	Sept. 9, 1951	1,000 00
Eustis Insurance Agency	Nov. 13, 1951	1,000 00
		$4,600 00
Hitchcock House		
Currier Insurance Agency	Jan. 26, 1950	$2,000 00

Health and Welfare

ITEM 46
STATE POOR
Clyde Bailey

Due from State of Maine (1947 account)	$7 71
Received from State of Maine	7 71

ITEM 47
TOWN POOR

Balance Feb. 15, 1948		$351 32	
Appropriation		250 00	
			$601 32
Expended			
F. A. Richardson — expense, meals and bus fares (2 tramps)		$ 4 20	
Bertram Chaplin — F. M. Hospital	$ 1 00		
C. F. Chandler & Son	100 00		
C. F. Thompson, M. D.	10 00		
		$121 00	
			$125 20
Balance			$476 12

Settlement of Mr. Chaplin in issue.

ITEM 48
OTHER TOWNS' POOR
Theron Nile

Expended	$992 23
Town of Rangeley	992 23

ALVAH WHITE

Expended	$181 74
Town of Eustis	181 74

Expended	$11 96
Town of Eustis	11 96

ITEM 49

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Expended	$135 72
Transfer from A. D. C.	135 72

ITEM 50

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	$500 00
Expended	210 00
	$290 00
Transferred to Old Age Assistance	135 72
Balance	$154 28

ITEM 51

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15, 1948 — FEB. 15, 1949

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1948	$5,459 16
Received from State Treasurer	
Bank Stock Tax	7 13
R. R. and Tel. Tax	16 20
School Fund	5,191 47
Tuition — Freeman	1,682 85
State Poor	7 71
Library Stipend	10 00
Dog License Refund	112 60
State of Maine — 5 Poll Taxes	15 00
Highway Account	
State Highway Snow	1,133 50
State Aid	1,656 08
Unimproved Roads	886 07
Third Class Re-construction	500 00
Received from	
Isadore Meltzer — iron	21 92
C. H. Mallory	100 00
Southworth Machine Co.	2 30
Earle Brackley	6 00
State Aid Road — to Town Charges	2 55
Ministerial and School Fund	25 00
Other Towns' Poor	1,185 93
Fire Department — mdse. and service	149 75
Rent — Hitchcock House	118 25
Dividends on Forster Bldg.	2,357 78
Rent — Forster Bldg.	137 00

Cemetery Lots	$ 198 00	
Licenses	4 00	
Lisherness Bridge Loan	4,961 00	
Temporary Loans	4,000 00	
Loan — Valley Road	2,000 00	
1947 Taxes	37 77	
1948 Excise Tax	2,470 14	
1949 Excise Tax	1,115 14	
1948 Taxes	38,765 57	
1947-1948 Abatements	63 79	
Town of Strong — Truck and Plow Earnings	1,659 31	
Cemetery Trust Funds	200 00	
Hervey B. Jennings, Col. — Interest	55 15	
		$76,314 12

ORDERS PAID

Town Orders	$64,856 34	
State Tax	4,701 24	
County Tax	1,684 80	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1949	5,071 74	
		$76,314 12

ITEM 52

Town of Strong Trust Funds

YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1948

	10-1-47 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-48 Expended	Balance
E. K. Hitchcock				
A|C Methodist Church	$100 00	$ 2 01	$2 01	$100 00
A|C Congo. Church	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS				
E. K. Hitchcock	$105 00	$ 2 11	$4 11	$103 00
Town of Strong	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Julia H. May	145 00	2 91	1 91	146 00
Florence Ranger	105 00	2 11	4 11	103 00
George Hitchcock	855 00	17 18	7 18	865 00
Hunter & Blethen	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
Daggett Brothers	298 00	5 98	3 98	300 00
Charles A. Goldsmith	102 00	2 05	4 05	100 00
Anna Bates Hunter	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
Frederick E. Hardy	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Thayas F. Will	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Dora A. Page	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lucy M. Sweet	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Fred A. Page	50 00	1 00	1 00	50 00
Samuel Philbrick	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
George H. Allen	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lemuel and Thurza Crosby	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
William I. Smith	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Isabelle N. Toothaker	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Emma and Flora Dodge	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lizzie A. Waite	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Gilman Trust Fund	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
George Daggett	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00

	10-1-47 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-48 Expended	Balance
George M. D. Will	$100 00	$2 01	$2 01	$100 00
Vining and Cates	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Nellie F. Dyer	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Rena B. Johnson	300 00	6 03	6 03	300 00
Ellen E. Spaulding	130 00	2 61	2 61	130 00
Harry G. & Ella M. Vining	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Walker Fund	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Gilman & Mitchell	150 00	3 01	3 01	150 00
Loring Hunter	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
H. O. Lisherness Est.	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
Maude B. Hillier	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lincoln A. & Viola C. Worthley	151 00	3 03	4 03	150 00
Edmond A. Goodwin	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Silas Goodwin & Elsie Welch	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
M. G. & C. B. Weymouth	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Jeremiah Porter	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Etta & Clarence Nutting	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Alexander P. & Emily Gould Porter	201 00	4 04	4 04	201 00
Mark and Delma Gray	102 00	2 05	3 05	101 00
Elias H. Porter	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
Charles M. Dickey	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
M. A. Will	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Elmer Gray	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Flora Smith	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Estelle A. Bell	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
David Richardson	200 00	4 02	4 02	200 00
James F. Worthley	200 00	4 02	4 02	200 00
Ambrose Allen	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
John W. Richards	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00

	10-1-47 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-48 Expended	Balance
John Soule	$200 00	$4 02	$4 02	$200 00
Winslow-Crandall	200 00	2 33	2 33	200 00
W. W. Mitchell				
Deposit Jan. 31, 1949				200 00
Total of the Trust Funds			$7,525 00	

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS
By the Trustees —
RALPH E. EUSTIS
ERWIN E. TOOTHAKER
F. ARDINE RICHARDSON
HERVEY B. JENNINGS
RAYMOND D. NORRIS

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Sec. and Treas.*

SCHOOL AND GYMNASIUM FUND

Balance Feb. 15, 1948	$24,214 87	
April Dividends credited	233 80	
		$24,448 67
Transferred to Holman B. Daggett Treasurer, Town of Strong School District		24,448 67

C. H. MALLORY SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Balance Feb. 15, 1948	$117 14	
Dividends credited	1 17	
		$118 31
Applied on C. H. Mallory's 1948 Tax		118 31

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$228 61		$228 61
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00

BABBITT TRUST FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$100 00		$100 00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, *Treasurer.*

ITEM 53

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1949

Commitment		$41,076 82
1948 Excise Tax applied		1,500 00
		$39,576 82
Supplementary Tax		63 25
		$39,640 07
Paid Treasurer	$38,765 57	
Abatements	45 20	
Uncollected 1948	829 30	
	$39,640 07	

UNCOLLECTED RESIDENTS

Bailey, Clyde	$ 3 70
Cook, Seaton	28 90
Clinch, Raymond	41 35
Goodwin, Eddie	29 55
Huff, Roy	12 25
Pillsbury, Oscar	187 95
Smith, Earle	117 80
Smith, Raymond	15 95
Smith, Carroll	45 15
Smith, Delmont	7 00
Sweetser, Donn	142 10
Sheltry, Maynard	14 20
Witherell, Myron	52 70
White, Alvah	3 20
White, Forest	6 40

NON-RESIDENT

Smith, Lawrence	$32 55
F. H. Spaulding Heirs	30 80

UNCOLLECTED 1947 RESIDENT

Sweetser, Donn	$40 71

UNCOLLECTED 1947 NON-RESIDENT

Fogg, Elmer	$2 95

1948 ABATEMENTS

Allen, John M.	$3 00	
Brackley, Glenn	3 00	
Kidder, Millard	3 00	
Lovejoy, Warren	3 50	
Littlefield, Ernest	3 70	
Makinen, Clifford	3 00	
Plummer, Robert	70	
Richardson, Lloyd	3 00	
Rancourt, Kenneth	3 00	
Rand, Joe	3 00	
Starbird, Edward	3 50	
Smith, Delmont	3 00	
Taylor, Fred W.	1 05	
White, Wayne	8 75	
		$45 20

1947 ABATEMENTS

Farrer, Elwin	$3 59	
Howard, Kenneth	3 00	
Jordan, Willis	3 00	
Roderique, Frank	3 00	
Stanhope, Edmond	3 00	
Scribner, Verne	3 00	
		$18 59

ITEM 54

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Strong:

During the past year Strong has not been unlike most towns in having its share of school difficulties. The removal of the eighth grade from the high school was definitely a step forward, but it created the need for another teacher and more classroom space in the lower grades. A new teacher was found, but the only solution for the classroom was partitioned corridor space to be used as a recitation room. This has served its purpose more from a co-operative desire on the part of some of the teachers to make it do so rather than from the standpoint of a completely satisfactory solution. It has more than ever emphasized the crowded conditions of our school.

The interest on the part of the people of Strong to do something about this phase of their educational program has manifested itself several times. Strong has been well represented in meetings held for the purpose of helping interested citizens to become better informed on building problems from both local and consolidated viewpoints. Whatever the varying opinions that have developed may be, it is well to bear in mind that Strong's position on the threshold of a building program puts it at the same time in a position responsible for determining not only its own educational pattern for some years to come but also that of its neighboring towns. To be specific, the Act of Incorporation of the Town of Strong School District definitely provides for "a school building and gymnasium for all grades." This is as it should be for what is not good for the upper grades is not good for the lower. At the same time, if Strong is ever to provide for the sixty per cent of its high school pupils who need courses different from those they are getting, this provision should go hand in hand with building plans. It is difficult to visualize how Strong could carry on such an expanded secondary school curriculum alone. The addition here of only one teacher this year and its effect on the budget should give us pause to think not only of initial expenditures but also of maintenance costs.

All the grades are in need of a better physical plant, but unless unforeseen financial help can make an annual appearance, the greatest

present need of your high school, namely, curriculum expansion, will not be achieved by a new building. For this reason, no matter how inclusive, as far as grades are concerned, building plans may be, the way should at least be left open, even after completion, if necessary, for possible consolidation on the high school level. Building with such an eventuality in view could do no harm to any grade group, and if future events could show the way toward making this a reality, inestimable good would have been done.

While on the subject of finances it may be in order to mention that besides the additional cost of a new teacher previously mentioned the chief reason for the increase asked for in the appropriation this year is the difference in the unexpended balance between this year and last. During the previous fiscal year, because of the new minimum salary law, an unexpected amount of over $1500 was added to our resources. This year's estimated resources and expenditures for this account were almost identical. The remainder of the additional appropriation requested provides for salary increases and for possible replacements.

Not all parts of our school program are so coldly financial and material. Many of your teachers have continued to display a fine professional spirit by attending summer school and winter extension courses. Last fall, at the time of the visit of the State Elementary Supervisor, Strong teachers were complimented for the type of work they were doing.

The Farm Bureau deserves credit for its management of the School Lunch program this year. Less than half the money appropriated at last town meeting has been spent and most of this for trays. Those in charge intend to ask for no additional appropriation this year. Our aim should be to make this program self-supporting.

As a final word, I wish to thank the school committee members, the teachers, and those helpful citizens of Strong for the spirit of friendliness and co-operation which they have continually afforded me during my first year with them.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. SOULE,

Superintendent of Schools.

Strong School Department

ITEM 55

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 28, 1949

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance 1947-1948		$ 2,316 16	
Appropriation		12,500 00	
Interest		25 00	
Tuition, State		1,682 85	
State School Fund:			
High School Tuition	$ 100 00		
Teaching Positions	4,218 17		
Professional Credits	50 00		
School Enrollment	623 30		
Closed Schools	200 00		
		5,191 47	
			$21,715 48

EXPENDITURES

Teachers, H. S.	$6,617 90	
Teachers, Elem.	8,695 27	
Fuel	1,165 50	
Janitor & Janitor's Supplies	1,529 10	
Conveyance	1,996 72	
H. S. Tuition	225 00	
Textbooks	117 84	
Supplies	1,035 93	
		$21,383 26
Unexpended Balance		$332 22

REPAIRS

Unexpended Balance 1947-1948	$448 92
Expended	442 68
Unexpended Balance	$6 24

SCHOOL LUNCH

Appropriation	$250 00
Expended	118 00
Unexpended Balance	$132 00

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, High School

Robert L. Harlow	$2,791 74	
Calvin N. Roberts	1,994 96	
Vincenta Cannariato	1,795 20	
Agnes Allen	18 00	
Lewis Brackley	18 00	
		$6,617 90

Teachers, Elementary

John Percy Sample	$1,643 85
Christie V. Pingree	521 76
Myrtle Oliver	813 01
Marion Peary	1,497 88
Dorothy Scamman	1,497 88
Helen Heald	1,046 10
Lydia Steward	832 48
Virginia Porter	228 27
Arlene Baker	86 50
Vera Wing (Sec'y to Supt.)	296 28
Christie V. Pingree (Sub.)	21 00
Rebecca Snell	19 25
Agnes Allen	56 00
Phyllis Roberts	28 00
Marguerite Norris	21 01
Miriam Bean	3 50

Farmington State Teachers College	$ 2 50	
Marion Peary (Reimbursem't)	10 00	
Dorothy Scamman (Reimbursem't)	10 00	
Helen Heald (Prof. Cr. and Reimbursem't)	60 00	
		$8,695 27

Fuel

S. J. Luce Coal Company		$1,165 50

Janitor and Janitor's Supplies

Lewis Brackley	$1,375 44	
First National Store	4 38	
L. R. Lewis	1 88	
Farrow's Grocery	9 60	
West Disinfecting Co.	29 80	
Orra Dyar	27 00	
Zena Kingsley	27 00	
Stella Huff	27 00	
Ronald Dyar	27 00	
		$1,529 10

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$590 50	
Ross Richards	570 00	
Charles Mallory	432 00	
Lewis Brackley	306 00	
J. Blaine Morrison Agency	98 22	
		$1,996 72

Tuition, H. S.

Town of Farmington		$225 00

Textbooks

Scott, Foresman and Company	$46 87	
D. C. Heath and Company	15 70	
Ginn and Company	46 50	

American Book Company	$5 17	
Beckley Cardy Company	3 60	
		$117 84

Supplies

J. L. Hammett Company	$131 00	
Mainco Trading Company	146 43	
Scott, Foresman and Company	46 76	
Master Products Company	11 70	
Loring, Short and Harmon	2 27	
Ginn and Company	45 95	
World Book Company	12 48	
Treasurer, State of Maine	2 40	
Town of Phillips	39 48	
Phillips Print Shop	24 15	
E. C. McGraw	9 15	
Huston-Tuttle Book Co.	8 40	
Audio-Visual Service, U. of M.	18 13	
L. R. Lewis	3 33	
Howard and Brown	17 55	
Webster Publishing Co.	46 92	
Lyons & Carnahan	11 75	
American Book Company	28 35	
Allyn & Bacon	15 52	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	17 02	
D. C. Heath & Co.	6 83	
The Continental Press	6 16	
H. P. White Company	90	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	250 26	
Strong Water District	22 50	
Franklin Farmers Co-Op. Tel. Co.	20 96	
Chicago Apparatus Company	16 77	
Cambosco Scientific Company	65 16	
A. G. Barker	6 00	
Rangeley Lakes Motor Express	1 65	
		$1,035 93

Repairs

Jim's Electrical Repair Shop	$141 80	
Starbird Lumber Company	11 42	
Newell & Sparks	48 79	
Maine Grate Company	60 00	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	68 02	
J. L. Hammett Company	35 19	
A. G. Eustis Estate	39 09	
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	9 71	
Rines Brothers Company	3 16	
Herbert Morey	5 00	
J. W. Russell	3 00	
Sherwood White	15 00	
Richard Douglas	2 50	
		$442 68

School Lunch

Archie's Army & Navy Store	$74 25	
John Sexton & Company	43 75	
		$118 00

Road Commissioner's Report

ITEM 56

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$3,000 00	
Southworth Machine Co.	2 30	
State of Maine	1,133 50	
Isadore Meltzer	11 92	
Earle Brackley	6 00	
		$4,153 72

Expended

Earle Brackley, Commissioner	$270 90
Leonard Hutchins, labor	403 25
Basil Melvin, labor	534 75
Frank Spencer, labor	343 15
Charles Lisherness, labor	292 20
Lawrence James, labor	1 50
Norman Childs, labor	8 25
Ervin Newell, labor	4 00
Arlie Welch, labor	1 50
Bernell Walker, labor	52 35
Glenn Brackley, labor	29 55
Col. Internal Revenue, W. H. Tax	40 60
Lawrence James, truck	34 00
Frank Brahmer, truck	45 00
Robert Parlin, truck	45 00
Dean Stewart, truck	43 50
Martin Bishop, truck	42 00
Arthur White, truck	54 00
C. H. Brackley, truck	6 00
Town of Strong, truck	741 83
Arthur Robbins, truck	45 00
Southworth Mach. Co., service or supplies	557 35
E. L. Richards, service or supplies	39 00
Farmington Welding, service or supplies	38 00

Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., service or supplies	$146 82	
Stanley and Cadigan, service or supplies	24 57	
C. V. Starbird Est., service or supplies	8 88	
Perkins Mach. Shop, service or supplies	14 23	
Pittsfield Motor Sales, service or supplies	6 50	
J. E. Winslow, service or supplies	75	
Hardware Store, service or supplies	45	
C. M. Richards, service or supplies	1 80	
Earle Brackley, freight	10 82	
Probert's Market, gas	78	
Treas. of State, fuel oil tax	9 00	
John Linscott, posts	9 00	
S. J. Luce Coal Co., coal	58 13	
Town of Farmington, shovel	74 90	
Edgar Walker, rent	15 00	
George Hoar, sand	37 45	
Frank Spencer, travel expense	4 00	
		$4,263 33
Overdraft		$109 61

ITEM 57

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	$3,200 00	
C. H. Mallory	100 00	
Isadore Meltzer	10 00	
		$3,310 00
Expended		
Earle Brackley, Foreman	$583 91	
Frank Spencer, labor	132 01	
Glenn Brackley, labor	183 81	
Basil Melvin, labor	85 50	
Leonard Hutchins, labor	86 96	
Norman Childs, labor	40 29	
Edgar Walker, labor	18 75	
Oscar Pillsbury, labor	11 00	
Bernell Walker, labor	19 30	
Wesley Walker, labor	6 10	

Paul Jay, labor	$ 5 65	
Erlon Walker, labor	29 05	
Ervin Newell, labor	7 35	
Bert Lake, labor	6 00	
C. M. Richards, labor	2 50	
Laurance Kelly, labor	6 75	
Fred Stevens, labor	3 38	
C. H. Lisherness, labor and cedar	34 12	
Earle Brackley, gravel and posts	12 00	
Edgar Walker, gravel and rent	63 75	
Roy McCourt, gravel	5 00	
Sandy River Pit, gravel	21 00	
Maude Kornosevitz, team	10 00	
Arlie Welch, team	10 00	
John Allen, truck	30 40	
Roy Huff, truck	16 00	
Town of Strong, truck	546 64	
Conley Haney, truck	27 00	
W. C. Buckingham, truck	27 00	
Lewis Moore, truck	27 00	
Lawrence James, truck	8 82	
Fred Frederick, truck	27 00	
State of Maine, shovel	109 80	
Ross Richards, tractor	15 00	
Robert Worthley, tractor	25 00	
N. E. Metal Culvert	549 87	
Starbird Lumber Co. — plank $277.11) BD $16.25) (gravel $60.05)	353 41	
C. H. Brackley, Bulldozer	111 00	
W. A. Dill, blade	10 39	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	21 65	
Collins Shoe Store, supplies	15 90	
Col. Internal Revenue	47 30	
		$3,353 60
Overdraft		$43 60

INVENTORY

1 steel drag — 1 log drag — 2 snow shovels — 3 round point shovels — 2 grub hoes — 2 bush clippers — 2 pairs rubber boots — 2 square point shovels — catch-basin spade — grind stone — sod fork — leaf fork.

EARLE BRACKLEY, *Commissioner.*

ITEM 58

Report of Librarian
Strong Public Library

RECEIPTS

February 1, 1948,	Brought forward	$ 20 85	
	Town of Strong by H. B. Jennings	100 00	
	State Stipend	10 00	
	Gift from Mary Davis	50 00	
	Fines, gifts, sale of books	48 05	
	Association dues	15 00	
			$243 90

DISBURSEMENTS

1948	Books, magazines, supplies	$225 83	
			$225 83
February 1, 1949,	Balance in Treasury		$18 07

Total Circulation	5,659
Increase over 1947	212

LILA TAINTER, *Librarian.*

ITEM 59

REPORT OF AUDIT

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1949, and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion, the appended statements fairly present, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1949.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
By R. M. Millett, C. P. A.

TOWN OF STRONG
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1948		February 15, 1949	
Cash		$5,459 16		$5,071 74
Saving Account Special		117 14		—
Uncollected Taxes:				
1948			$829 30	
1947		228 18	43 66	
				872 96
Tax Deeds:				
1936		33 25		33 25
Tax Liens:				
1947			$143 16	
1943	$44 00		44 00	
1942	44 00		44 00	
1941	45 76		45 76	

	February 15, 1948		February 15, 1949	
1940	$45 76		$45 76	
1939	47 20		47 20	
		$226 72		$369 88
Accounts Receivable:				
State Poor		7 71		
Deferred Appropriations:				
Tractor Repairs — Special	$1,360 10			
Tractor and Plow — Special	3,342 35		$3,342 35	
Bridge Account	3,300 00		3,300 00	
Valley Road			2,000 00	
Lisherness Bridge			4,961 00	
		8,002 45		13,603 35
Overdrafts:				
Fire Department	$1,286 34			
Winter Roads	1,550 24		$109 61	
Valley Brook Bridge	203 93			
Roads and Bridges			43 60	
		3,040 51		153 21
		$17,115 12		$20,104 39

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable		$8,006 42		$13,607 32
Advances on Future Tax Assessments		117 14		—
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		1,410 21		1,115 14
Unexpended Balances:				
Town Charges	$101 42		$130 11	
Collection of Taxes	27 72		11 31	
Abatements			36 21	
Fire Department			36 02	
Street Lights			1 75	
Hydrants	119 28		9 60	

	February 15, 1948	February 15, 1949
Fire Dept. Equipment		$146 59
Sidewalks	200 32	400 32
Maintenance Third Class Roads	31 50	31 50
Town Poor	351 32	476 12
Aid to Dependent Children		154 28
Schools	2,316 16	332 22
Schoolhouse Repairs	448 92	6 24
School Lunch		132 00
Memorial Day	30 00	30 00
Hitchcock House	330 45	186 21
Insurance	25 00	
Cemeteries	22 47	157 72
Care of Dump	8 93	
Interest		71 90
Discounts		56 88
	$4,013 49	$2,406 98
	$13,547 26	$17,129 44
General Fund Surplus	3,567 86	2,974 95
	$17,115 12	$20,104 39

TRUST FUNDS

Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery Accounts	$7,125 00	$7,325 00
Church — Hitchcock	200 01	200 00
Church — Babbett	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	223 92	228 61
	$7,648 93	$7,853 61
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$9,648 93	$9,853 61
Trust Fund Principal	$9,648 93	$9,853 61

ITEM 60

Fire Chief's Report

G. E. MARDEN, *Chief*

The Department has responded to 28 calls as follows:

8 General Alarms for Buildings
2 General Alarms for Forest Fires
1 General Alarm for Grass Fire
1 General Alarm for Town Dump Fire
2 Silent Alarms for Town Dump Fires
3 Silent Alarms for Car Fires
11 Silent Alarms for Chimney Fires

Our Portable Pump has worked out very satisfactorily. We have just purchased another length of Suction Hose, and a 1½ inch Siamese which will help.

Our Siren that is now connected to the Telephone Office saves time. I feel that the Coe Toothaker fire would have been much more disastrous had it not been for our new Siren.

I recommend $1,200.00 for the fiscal year, as we plan to paint building and re-inforce main floor.

ITEM 61

Town Clerk's Report

DEATHS — STRONG, FREEMAN, AND SALEM

1948

Jan. 15 — At Reading, Mass., Mary Elizabeth Fales Nind, aged 84 yrs., 10 mos., 1 day.

Jan. 31 — At Farmington, Maine, Rhoda I. Knowlton, aged 92 yrs., 2 mos., 11 days.

Feb. 21 — At Farmington, Maine, Eva Chandler, aged 57 yrs., 4 mos., 2 days.

Feb. 24 — At Strong, Maine, Charles S. Takacs, aged 72 yrs., 10 mos., 14 days.

Mar. 2 — At Strong, Maine, Rebecca R. McCourt, aged 76 yrs., 17 days.

Mar. 19 — At Rumford, Maine, Jessie E. Stinchfield, aged 65 yrs., 1 mo., 26 days.

Mar. 29 — At Salem, Maine, John McDougall, aged 62 yrs., 8 mos., 22 days.

Mar. 30 — At Mexico, Maine, Eugene Harcourt Goff, aged 70 yrs., 9 mos., 22 days.

Apr. 23 — At Lewiston, Maine, Bessie E. Hesketh, aged 75 yrs., 11 mos., 23 days.

Apr. 28 — At Bangor, Maine, Minerva B. Marshall, aged 76 yrs., 2 mos., 15 days.

May 1 — At Portland, Maine, William Kollins Crowell, aged 69 yrs., 8 mos., 18 days.

May 8 — At Strong, Maine, Leland Peary, aged 70 yrs., 1 mo., 25 days.

May 10 — At Mannsville, New York, Lillian I. Porter, aged 71 yrs., 2 mos., 26 days.

May 17 — At Portland, Maine, Charles Warren Smith, aged 37 yrs., 11 mos., 24 days.

June 6 — At Greene, Maine, Israel Folsom, aged 97 yrs., 7 mos., 20 days.

1948

June 8 — At Farmington, Maine, Willie Moore Knapp, aged 65 yrs., 9 mos., 26 days.

June 21 — At Strong, Maine, Freemont Allen, aged 61 yrs., 2 mos., 18 days.

June 25 — At Strong, Maine, Walter M. Colby, aged 64 yrs., 15 days.

July 25 — At Norridgewock, Maine, Mabel Meehan Vaughn, aged 67 yrs., 4 mos., 13 days.

July 27 — At New Vineyard, Maine, Charles F. Savage, aged 74 yrs., 11 mos., 12 days.

Aug. 1 — At Strong, Maine, Carroll Lee Smith, aged 10 days.
European, Italy, Weston Norton, aged 29 yrs., 6 mos., 9 days.

Sept. 1 — At Freeman, Maine, Stella E. Steward Chadbourne, aged 58 yrs., 3 mos., 4 days.

Sept. 10 — At Strong, Maine, Hattie E. Ray, aged 72 yrs., 4 mos., 3 days.

Sept. 30 — At Farmington, Maine, Leon Gage, aged 57 yrs., 3 mos., 29 days.

Oct. 4 — At Norwood, Mass., Sophia E. A. Holmes, aged 83 yrs., 2 mos., 13 days.

Oct. 23 — At Portland, Maine, Grace E. Will, aged 72 yrs., 2 mos., 12 days.

Nov. 3 — At Gardiner, Maine, Albert D. Pratt, aged 96 yrs., 1 mo., 2 days.

Dec. 30 — At Strong, Maine, Ida V. Lewis, aged 69 yrs., 11 mos., 6 days.

1949

Jan. 6 — At Strong, Maine, Vesta Burbank Toothaker, aged 81 yrs., 7 mos., 12 days.

Jan. 13 — At Strong, Maine, George M. Richards, aged 73 yrs., 11 mos., 5 days.

Jan. 17 — At Farmington, Maine, Bertram C. Chaplin, aged 68 yrs., 7 mos.

Signed:

R. D. NORRIS,

Town Clerk of Strong.

ITEM 62

Report of Health Officer

February 15, 1949

Citizens of Strong

Greeting:

During the past year we have encountered no serious problems in regard to community health.

Conditions detrimental to public health which have been brought to my attention have been cared for employing usual routine. In most instances willing co-operation was given by those concerned.

During the latter part of this month immunization against diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus will be administered to school children upon parents' request.

During month of March small pox vaccine will be given to any desiring same.

Hoping many will accept these protective measures, I respectfully submit this report.

Signed:

L. DENIS MOODY, D. O.,

Health Officer.

ITEM 63

Report of Treasurer of Town of Strong School District

April 15, 1948	Received from H. B. Jennings, Treas.		$24,448 67
May 11, 1948	Fidelity Bond	$50 00	
October 1, 1948	Bank Interest accrued		243 98
November 5, 1948	Fidelity Bond	50 00	
January 31, 1949	Received from Town of Strong		1,200 00
February 3, 1949	Paid for Seal	8 50	
			$25,892 65
			108 50
Balance in Franklin Co. Savings Bank Feb. 15, 1949			$25,784 15

HOLMAN B. DAGGETT, *Treasurer.*

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SANDY RIVER VALLEY

. . . "Happily, the government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only that those who live under its protection should demean themselves as good citizens." . . . .

From a letter written by
George Washington in 1790

Annual Report

OF THE

Municipal Officers

AND

Board of Education

OF THE TOWN OF

Strong, Maine

FOR THE FISCAL

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1950

A copy of this report has been mailed to each family. Please preserve it and bring it to Town Meeting as no duplicate will be issued.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen
F. A. RICHARDSON

Assessors
ANDREW CHANDLER
CLARENCE MITCHELL

Overseers of Poor

Town Clerk
RAYMOND NORRIS

Treasurer
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Tax Collector
HERVEY B. JENNINGS

Road Commissioner
EARLE M. BRACKLEY

Superintendent of Schools
GERALD CUSHING

School Committee
EVA EUSTIS
STANLEY ALLEN
VERNE FLOOD

Health Officer
L. D. MOODY, D.O.

Fire Chief
GRANGIE MARDEN

School Physician
L. D. MOODY, D.O.

Sealer of Weights and Measures
STANLEY ALLEN

Constables
HERVEY B. JENNINGS
ALMON D. PRATT

Truant Officer
ALMON D. PRATT

Town Warrant

County of Franklin, S.S.

To Hervey B. Jennings, a Constable in the Town of Strong, County of Franklin, State of Maine, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Strong, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Forster Memorial Building in said Town on Saturday, the fourth day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports of Town Officers and take action thereon.

Art. 4. To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year, or in case of minor officers, to authorize the Selectmen to fill by appointment.

Art. 5. To consider changes, if any, in the present rate of compensation paid elective Town Officers.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Road Commissioner, authorize the Selectmen to fill by appointment, or vote to designate a member of the Board of Selectmen to act in a supervisory capacity.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Elementary and Secondary Schools, including Teachers' Wages, Fuel, Janitor Service, Conveyance, Textbooks, Reference Books, and School Supplies for desk and laboratory use, for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Repairs on Schoolhouse for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the salary of the Superintendent of Schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to procure Temporary Loans in anticipation of Taxes.

Art. 12. To see when the Taxes shall be collected and made payable.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the collection of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 1% on all Real and Personal Property Taxes paid on or before June 1, 1950, and charge interest at 4% from October 1, 1950 on all Real and Personal Property Taxes remaining unpaid on December 15, 1950.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Discounts and Interest for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Summer Roads and Bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for breaking and sanding Winter Roads in 1950-1951.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for State Aid Construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 26, Chapter 20, R. S. of 1944.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of two hundred sixty-nine dollars and twenty cents ($269.20) for snow removal on State Highway No. 4 as provided in the R. S. of 1944 as amended.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) from Excise Tax receipts to finance reconstruction work on Third Class Road No. 1 (West Freeman).

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) from Excise Tax receipts to complete payment of Valley Road Account.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay for expenditures made on Roads and Bridges under authorization voted at Special Town Meeting on September 6, 1949.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay on Town Debt.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Rent of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Street Lights for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Fire Department for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise to pay Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Support of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Aid to Dependent Children for the ensuing year.

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to employ the services of a School Physician for the ensuing year, and appropriate and raise money to pay for said services.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the purchase of books for the Strong Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Insurance for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to lease or purchase land suitable for a dump, and to appropriate and raise a sum of money to cover the cost involved, and to provide for maintenance for the ensuing year.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for maintenance of Cemeteries for the ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for repair or construction of Sidewalks for the ensuing year.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for Abatement of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Section 82 of the R. S. of Maine.

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the School and Gymnasium Fund, said sum to be paid to the Treasurer of the Town of Strong School District.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.

Art. 40. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Trustees of the Town of Strong School District to proceed with the construction of the School Building authorized by the Act creating the District.

Art. 41. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to establish courses in Commercial Subjects and Industrial Arts in the event a new building is erected, and vote to appropriate and raise the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) to finance the expanded program for the balance of the fiscal year.

Art. 42. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) to support school activities.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise money to take walls and edge of fields into road to bring it up level from High Street to Lincoln Smith farm.

Art. 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept one hundred fifty dollars ($150.00) deposited with the Town Treasurer by Benjamin Jones, and comply with his request by creating the Walter and Louise Jones Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to accept one hundred dollars ($100.00) deposited with the Town Treasurer by Gladys Lewis, and comply with her request by creating the Frank D. Gilman Cemetery Trust Fund.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will authorize the Strong Public Library Association to exercise supervision of the Forster Memorial Building, and to institute a system of rentals for different rooms in the building, said rentals to cover all public functions, exclusive of school and youth activities, and to continue until the present indebtedness is paid, necessary repairs made, and the Building becomes self supporting.

Art. 47. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of four hundred sixty-nine dollars and thirty-two cents ($469.32) to cover the following overdrafts: Interest and Discounts $30.76; Collection of Taxes $7.92; Insurance $430.64.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to conduct a survey to determine whether local roads can be plowed by contract more cheaply than under the present system.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will vote to close its fiscal year on February 1st.

Art. 50. To see if the Town will vote to have a hydrant installed near the residence of Maurice Peary.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters, at the Forster Memorial Building at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Strong, Maine, February 15, 1950.

F. A. RICHARDSON,
A. J. CHANDLER,
C. E. MITCHELL,

Selectmen of Strong.

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ITEM 1
BUDGET

Account	Appropriation 1949	Budget 1950	Article No.
School	$16,600 00	$16,900 00	7
Repairs	1,000 00	3,500 00 *	8
Supt. of Schools	675 00	700 00	9
Town Charges	450 00	600 00	10
Collection of Taxes	475 00	500 00	13
Discounts and Interest	450 00	700 00	15
Roads and Bridges	3,000 00	2,500 00	16
Winter Roads	3,000 00	3,000 00	17
State Aid	1,066 00	1,066 00	18
State Highway	269 20	269 20	19
3rd Class Reconstruction		2,000 00	20
Valley Road		1,000 00	21
Roads and Bridges — Sp. Acct.	952 91	952 91	22
Town Debt	2,000 00	2,000 00	23
Hydrants	429 80	420 20	24
Street Lights	798 00	798 00	25
Fire Department	1,000 00	650 00	26
Town Officers	1,100 00	1,100 00	27
Support of Poor	100 00	Balance	28
Dependent Children	300 00	Balance	29
School Physician	200 00	200 00	30
Library	150 00	150 00	31
Insurance	750 00	150 00	32
Cemeteries	100 00	100 00	34
Sidewalks	200 00	200 00	35
Abatement of Taxes	100 00	Balance	36
Maine Publicity		50 00	37
School — Gymnasium	2,000 00	2,000 00	38
Overdrafts	153 21	469 32	47

* School Committee request

Assessors' Department

ITEM 2

VALUATION AND ASSESSEMENTS 1949

	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Total
Resident	$423,910 00	$101,202 00	$525,112 00
Non-Resident	42,605 00	5,482 00	48,087 00
	$466,515 00	$106,684 00	$573,199 00

Appropriations made at Town Meeting	$36,441 21	
State Tax	4,679 43	
County Tax	1,760 85	
Overlay	270 80	
		$43,152 29
Excise Tax Applied		1,000 00
Amount Assessed		$42,152 29

Rate $7.20 per $100.00		
Assessed on Real and Personal Property	$41,270 29	
294 Polls at $3.00 (No. Polls not taxed 26)	882 00	
Original Commitment		$42,152 29
Supplementary Taxes		51 00
Final Commitment		$42,203 29

Real Estate Classified

Land	$130,837 00	
Buildings	335,678 00	
		$466,515 00

Personal Property Classified

Taxable Livestock & Poultry	No.	Appr. Ave. Val.	Total Val.
Horses	92	$107 00	$9,930 00
Colts, 3 to 4	1	100 00	100 00
Steers, Oxen, etc., over 18 mos.	66	37 00	2,435 00
Milk Cows	247	36 00	9,005 00
Heifers (over 2 yrs.)	52	30 00	1,560 00
Heifers (18 mos.-2 yrs.)	53	25 00	1,335 00
Sheep	34	6 00	204 00
Goats	13	8 00	105 00
Domestic Fowl	608	1 00	608 00
			$25,282 00

Exempt Livestock and Poultry

Cattle (under 18 mos.)	126	$19 00	$2,410 00
Draft Colts (under 3 yrs.)	3	36 00	110 00
Sheep	138	6 00	828 00
Swine	29	10 00	290 00
Domestic Fowl	892	1 00	892 00
			$4,530 00

Other Personal Property

Stock in Trade	$19,867 00	
Logs	2,300 00	
Lumber	16,100 00	
Boats	215 00	
Gas Pumps and Attachments	1,950 00	
Musical Instruments	3,230 00	
Radios	3,855 00	
Furniture	9,925 00	
Finished Product in Mills	500 00	
Tractors	585 00	
Machinery and Equipment	17,700 00	
Other Property	5,175 00	
		$81,402 00
Taxable Livestock (brought forward)		25,282 00
		$106,684 00

Industrial and Utility Property

Light and Power Companies	$10,450 00
Saw Mills	4,000 00
Wood Working Mills	13,600 00
Other Industrial Companies	33,200 00

Property Not Listed as Resources

Schoolhouse	$20,000 00
School Property	16,000 00
Fire Station, Truck, Equipment	4,500 00
Town Safe	200 00
Road Equipment	400 00
Forster Building	30,000 00
Endowment Fund	70,000 00
Tractor and Plow	3,500 00
Truck and Plow	2,500 00
Sander	150 00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor Department

ITEM 3

TOWN CHARGES

Balance	$130 11	
Appropriation	450 00	
Spaulding Heirs — Costs	48	
David Lawry — License	1 00	
State of Maine — Bear Bounty	60 00	
State of Maine — Bank Stock Tax	10 79	
State of Maine — Dog License Refund	21 28	
State of Maine — R. R. & T. Tax	15 18	
Franklin Co. Savings Bank — Costs Sweetsir Tax Liens	5 30	
Everett Mitchell — Costs — Tax Lien	2 80	
Leonard Doble — Costs — Tax Lien	2 50	
Carroll Smith — Costs — Tax Lien	3 69	
Casper Stuart — License	1 00	
John W. Allen — Removal of Tree	32 50	
Davis Lodge No. 191 — Removal of Tree	32 50	
		$769 13

Expended

Knowlton & McLeary Co. — supplies, printing	$217 37
Millett, Fish and Dresser — Audit	150 00
Maine Municipal Association — Fee	40 00
Branham Printing Co. — supplies	1 50
L. R. Lewis — supplies	20 72
Starbird Lumber Co. — supplies	1 20
H. B. Jennings — supplies, night watch	19 48
A. D. Pratt — night watch	4 00
G. E. Marden — night watch	4 00
Peoples National Bank — supplies, bank charges	20 20

A. J. Chandler — Assessors' meeting	$ 5 00	
C. E. Mitchell — Assessors' meeting	5 00	
Mahlon Voter — Bear bounty	30 00	
M. Williamson — Bear bounty	15 00	
Linwood Wallace — Bear bounty	15 00	
Linnell Tree Surgery — tree removal	100 00	
Farmers Tel. Co. — service	8 52	
Marks Printing House — supplies	36 27	
Franklin Journal — printing	2 25	
F. E. Knowlton — fees	10 69	
Andrew Pratt — labor	2 00	
Jesse Phillips — labor	2 00	
Allen Scamman — labor	2 00	
Milton Stevens — labor	2 00	
F. A. Richardson — postal charges	5 09	
		$719 29
Balance		$49 84

ITEM 4
TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation		$1,100 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, Selectman	$500 00	
A. J. Chandler, Selectman	135 00	
C. E. Mitchell, Selectman	125 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treasurer	200 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. Cem. Trust Funds	25 00	
R. D. Norris, Clerk	43 25	
H. B. Jennings, Constable	10 00	
A. D. Pratt, Constable	5 00	
Eva Eustis, School Committee 1950	10 00	
H. S. Allen, School Committee 1951	10 00	
Verne Flood, School Committee 1952	10 00	
H. B. Jennings, Treas. M. & S. Fund	5 00	
L. D. Moody, Health Officer	10 00	
		$1,088 25
Balance		$11 75

ITEM 5

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Balance Regular Account	$ 36 02	
Balance Equipment Account	146 59	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., service, supplies	39 43	
		$1,222 04
Expended		
Payroll	$221 50	
Blanchard Associates, supplies	64 97	
J. E. Winslow, supplies	32 26	
Virgil Lambert, supplies	4 72	
Strong Wood Turning Corp., supplies	31 60	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., supplies	93 22	
Eastern Fire Equipment Co., supplies	21 22	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	8 86	
G. E. Marden, expense	2 64	
Farmington Oil Co., fuel	74 51	
Currier Insurance Agency	190 40	
Farmington Fire Co., Ladd fire	85 50	
Franklin Farmers Tel. Co., service	27 60	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	13 41	
		$872 41
Balance		$349 63

ITEM 6

STREET LIGHTS

Balance	$ 1 75	
Appropriation	798 00	
		$799 75
Expended		
Maine Consolidated Power Co.		$799 75

ITEM 7
HYDRANTS

Balance	$ 9 60	
Appropriation	429 80	
		$439 40
Expended		
Strong Water District		$429 80
Balance		$9 60

ITEM 8
FORSTER BUILDING

Livermore Falls Trust Co., dividends	$2,411 87	
Mary Vanderhoff, rent	115 00	
D. A. R., rent	4 00	
Aurora Grange, rent	7 75	
Price Studio, rent	20 00	
E. E. Toothaker, rent	5 00	
John Skillings, equipment	5 00	
		$2,568 62
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, janitor	$761 70	
A. N. Kennedy, janitor	313 45	
Lila Tainter, janitor	50 00	
F. E. Willard, repairs	50 45	
E. M. Brackley, labor	4 85	
Glenn Brackley, labor	3 01	
Orra Dyar, labor	4 55	
Arthur Newell, labor	8 75	
Roscoe Stevens, labor	11 87	
L. T. Allen, labor	1 00	
E. L. Taylor, labor	2 30	
H. L. Morey, labor and supplies	14 75	
James Lambert, labor and supplies	9 85	
Wilfred McLeary Est., supplies	5 12	

D. E. Peary, supplies	$ 1 74	
Farrow's Grocery, supplies	7 67	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	8 54	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., supplies	4 64	
K. and H. Foster, cement work	63 63	
Strong Water District, service	11 76	
Farmers Tel. Co., service	1 88	
The Peoples National Bank, interest	40 00	
John Allen, truck	12 00	
Maine Consolidated Power Co.	193 44	
F. L. Butler Co., fuel	295 39	
		$1,882 34
		$686 28
1948 operating overdraft		272 67
		$413 61
Applied on Insurance Premiums		300 00
Balance		$113 61

ITEM 9

TRUCK AND PLOW

Town of Strong		$2,083 15
Expended		
Elm Crest Garage — service, supplies, etc.	$148 55	
Ford and Smiley, Inc.	103 15	
Starbird Lumber Co.	128 69	
Horn Motors	579 97	
E. L. Richards	121 32	
E. E. Toothaker	352 47	
Steel Products of America	103 52	
S. W. Petroleum Co.	81 82	
W. H. Curtis	14 79	
Lawrence James	18 02	
Lawrence Curtis	23 42	

Farmington Welding Service	$ 55 20	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc.	5 49	
A. G. Eustis Est.	6 15	
Edgar Walker — rent	35 00	
Glenn Brackley — labor	53 43	
E. M. Brackley — expense	1 88	
Currier Insurance Agency	122 75	
		$1,955 62
1949 Operational Balance		$127 53
Previous year's overdraft		168 83
		$41 30
Transfer from Overlay		41 30

ITEM 10
TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT
TRUE HILL ROAD

Expended

S. V. Webster, Foreman	$ 25 70	
Milton Walker, labor	16 86	
Wesley Walker, labor	38	
John Gordon, labor	3 13	
Lawrence Kelley, labor	21 86	
Alfred Redlevski, truck	93 00	
Milo Haney, truck	93 00	
Fred Fredericks, truck	96 08	
Theodore Beal, truck	91 50	
Town of Strong, truck	6 74	
M. Stinchfield Jr., truck	66 00	
C. H. Brackley, bulldozer	115 00	
R. A. Starbird, bulldozer	127 50	
State of Maine, shovel	232 53	
Col. Int. Revenue	4 70	
		$993 98
Received from State of Maine		993 98

Note: Pay for 2,066 yards gravel used on Town Road Improvement ($206.60) charged to Roads and Bridges. Revised Statutes.

ITEM 11
STATE HIGHWAY

Appropriation	$269 20

Expended

State of Maine	$269 20

ITEM 12
STATE AID NO. 3

Expended

S. V. Webster, Foreman	$475 00
Lester Gould, labor	319 65
Lawrence Kelley, labor	206 19
Milton Walker, labor	256 49
Raymond Coffren, labor	34 88
Clifford Wilcox, labor	34 88
Harlan Campbell, labor	34 88
Waldo Bubier, labor	69 23
Cecil Lisherness, labor	12 00
Newton Gould, labor	6 00
Herbert Morey, labor	16 25
A. D. Pratt, labor	52 30
Andrew Pratt, labor	35 60
Wesley Walker, labor	69 26
Fred McCleary, labor	6 75
Earle Brackley, labor	15 60
Fred Raymond, labor	25 13
John Gordon, labor	13 45
Clinton Knowlan, labor	13 75
Leslie Kelley, labor	5 63
F. A. Richardson, labor	13 10
Col. Int. Revenue	129 25
Fred Fredericks, truck	3 15
Town of Strong, truck	181 46
Alfred French, truck	27 00
John Allen, truck	206 52
Wallace French, truck	189 00
Theodore Beal, truck	152 25

Leslie Adley, truck	$ 13 50
Everett Mitchell, truck	70 50
George James, truck	52 28
Lewis Moore, truck	373 50
Milo Haney, truck	1,068 76
Alfred Redlevski, truck	1,092 01
M. Stinchfield Jr., truck, bulldozer	1,016 50
C. H. Brackley, bulldozer	1,615 00
Herm Gile, bulldozer	52 50
Percy Cook, shovel	15 00
Starbird Lumber Co., crane	127 50
H. E. Fournier, supplies	17 88
W. W. Small Co., supplies	2 93
A. P. Richards, supplies	45 20
Linscott Inc., supplies	4 68
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies	47 46
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	58 55
Town of Avon, gravel	4 30
Sandy River Gravel Pit, gravel	14 50
C. H. Mallory, gravel	95 40
Roy McCourt, gravel	279 40
F. H. McCleary, gravel	354 50
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	1,954 73
Foster Bros., compressor	19 63
Town of Farmington, grader	52 50
S. V. Webster, expense	6 55
State of Maine, tar and application	653 20
Total Warrants drawn by Town	$11,713 11
Expenditures by State Highway Comm.	3,993 96
Total Cost	$15,707 07

Summary of State Aid Account

Town Appropriation 1949	$1,066 00
Transfer from Excise Tax	79 40
Apportioned by State 1949	2,132 00

Special Resolves	$1,700 00	
Unexpended balance 1948	161 96	
Available Funds		$ 5,139 36
Spent by Town in Excess Available Funds		10,567 71
Total Cost		$15,707 07

Note:

The Expanded Program of State Aid Construction for 1949 was based upon the so-called " Anticipation Program " as authorized by vote of the Town, and approved by the Maine State Highway Commission. The overdraft — $10,567.71 — is covered by notes drawing 2% at the Peoples National Bank of Farmington. This loan will be retired on an annual basis in the amount of the Town's appropriation — $1,066.00 — plus the State's allocation of $2,132.00.

ITEM 13

THIRD CLASS RECONSTRUCTION WEST FREEMAN ROAD

Expended

S. V. Webster, Foreman	$ 51 75
Milton Walker, hand	22 23
Lawrence Kelley, hand	15 23
John Gordon, hand	3 13
Clinton Knowlan, hand	6 55
U. Hutchins, hand	6 00
C. Davis Jr., hand	6 00
Fred Fredericks, truck	67 73
Alfred Redlevski, truck	79 50
Milo Haney, truck	75 00
Theodore Beal, truck	64 50
M. Stinchfield Jr., truck	43 50
C. Davis, truck	20 40
John Allen, truck	17 85
C. H. Brackley, truck	10 00
Town of Strong, truck	12 60
Clyde Chandler, gravel	14 70

R. A. Starbird, gravel	$189 15	
C. H. Brackley, bulldozer	242 85	
Percy Cook, shovel	22 50	
State of Maine, shovel	414 51	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., grader	20 00	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	147 00	
State of Maine, tar	601 43	
Col. of Int. Revenue	8 65	
		$2,162 76

Available

State of Maine — Betterment B.	$ 500 00	
Town of Strong — Adjustment	6 74	
Balance Third Class Maintenance Acct.	31 50	
Transfer from 1949 Excise Tax Acct.	1,624 52	
		$2,162 76

ITEM 14

WINTER ROADS

Available	$4,142 62
Expended	4,039 45
Balance	$103 17

ITEM 15

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Available	$3,000 00
Expended	3,000 30
Overdraft	$ 30
Transfer from 1949 Excise Tax	30

ITEM 16
ROADS AND BRIDGES — SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Expended

F. A. Richardson, labor	$124 90	
Bernell Walker, labor	72 14	
Ivan Richardson, labor	82 61	
N. H. Worthley, labor	1 13	
Archie Sampson, labor	29 40	
Andrew Pratt, labor	26 75	
A. D. Pratt, labor	5 40	
Eddie Brouza, labor	1 00	
E. A. Richardson, cedar posts	96 44	
Elm Crest Garage, service	75	
Robert Worthley, tractor	11 00	
Oscar Pillsbury, team	3 75	
Town of Strong, truck	43 75	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	2 18	
Edgar Walker, gravel	2 40	
Starbird Lumber Co., lumber, gravel	26 14	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	161 77	
Forster Mfg. Co., Inc., grader	220 00	
Col. Int. Revenue	41 40	
		$952 91

ITEM 17
HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Available	$23,955 53
Expended	23,783 53
Balance	$172 00

ITEM 18
SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS

Available	$1,006 24
Expended	385 78
Balance	$620 46

ITEM 19
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Available		$675 00
Expended		
William Soule	$277 80	
Gerald Cushing	369 18	
		$646 98
Balance		$28 02

ITEM 20
SCHOOL LUNCH

Available	$132 00
Expended	79 37
Balance	$52 63

ITEM 21
LIBRARY

Appropriation	$150 00	
State of Maine, Stipend	10 00	
		$160 00
Expended		160 00

ITEM 22
CEMETERY

Balance	$157 72	
Appropriation	100 00	
Benjamin Jones, lot	40 00	
Roy McCourt, lot	40 00	
A. E. & E. D. Brackley, lot	40 00	
		$377 72

Expended

Dan Abbott, labor	$15 00	
F. A. Richardson, labor	31 15	
Andrew Pratt, labor	3 00	
E. A. Richardson, labor	44 15	
A. D. Pratt, labor	2 75	
J. A. Phillips, labor	11 80	
Frank Spencer, labor	5 25	
Coe A. Toothaker, labor	3 00	
I. M. Richardson, labor, cedar	47 15	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	2 25	
Strong Water District, service	3 40	
Town of Strong, truck	8 75	
Linnell Tree Surgery Co., labor	30 00	
Col. of Internal Revenue, W. H. Tax	10 30	
		$217 95
Balance		$159 77

ITEM 23

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Benjamin Jones	$150 00	
Gladys Lewis	100 00	
		$250 00

Expended

Maine Savings Bank	$250 00

ITEM 24

MEMORIAL

Available	$30 00

Expended

Strong Band	$25 00
Balance	$5 00

ITEM 25
SIDEWALKS

Balance	$400 32	
Appropriation	200 00	
		$600 32
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, labor	$37 80	
I. M. Richardson, labor	35 88	
Richard Hatt, labor	13 50	
E. A. Richardson, labor	27 10	
Eddie Brouza, labor	2 75	
Milton Stevens, labor	19 10	
M. B. Richardson, labor	6 25	
Starbird Lumber Co., lumber	26 58	
Col. of Internal Revenue, W. H. Tax	11 00	
		$179 96
Balance		$420 36

ITEM 26
HITCHCOCK HOUSE

Melzer Phillips, rent		$129 00
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.	$43 20	
Strong Water District, service	4 00	
Currier Insurance Agency, policy	20 40	
A. G. Eustis Est., paint	24 75	
		$92 35
1949 Operating Balance		$36 65
High School (previous balance)	$21 76	
High School (1949 account)	18 33	
Balance High School		$40 09

Call of Clergy (previous balance)	$164 45	
Call of Clergy (1949 account)	18 32	
Call of Clergy balance		$182 77

ITEM 27

INTERESTS AND DISCOUNTS

Balance, 1948 Interest Account	$ 71 90	
Balance, 1948 Discounts Account	56 88	
Appropriation	450 00	
Franklin Co. Savings Bank, Sweetsir Tax Lien	2 46	
Everett Mitchell, 1948 Tax Lien	1 15	
Myron Witherell, 1948 Tax Lien	3 72	
H. B. Jennings, Col. Int. on 1949 Taxes	78 79	
H. B. Jennings, Col. Int. on 1948 Taxes	4 52	
		$669 42
Expended		776 93
		$107 51
Transfer from Overlay	$18 00	
Transfer from Supplemental Tax	51 00	
Transfer from 1948 Tax	7 75	
		76 75
Overdraft		$30 76

ITEM 28

TEMPORARY LOANS

The Peoples National Bank	$16,000 00
Expended	
The Peoples National Bank	5,432 29
	$10,567 71
Transfer to Town Debt (See Notes Outstanding)	10,567 71

ITEM 29
TOWN DEBT

Appropriation	$2,000 00
Expended	2,000 00

ITEM 30
NOTES OUTSTANDING FEB. 15, 1950

Truck and Plow	$ 1,346 32	
Valley Brook Bridges	3,300 00	
Valley Road	1,000 00	
Lisherness Bridge	4,961 00	
State Aid No. 3 — South Strong Road	10,567 71	
		$21,175 03

ITEM 31
1947 TAX LIENS

Franklin Co. Savings Bank — Sweetsir	$94 40	
Leonard Doble	48 76	
		$143 16

ITEM 32
1948 TAX LIENS

Franklin Co. Savings Bank — Sweetsir	$123 20	
Everett Mitchell	57 75	
Myron Witherell	45 77	
Carroll Smith	44 45	
		$271 17

ITEM 33
1948 TOWN TAX

H. B. Jennings, Col.	$373 23

Includes $7.75 not appropriated or assessed.

ITEM 34

1949 TOWN TAX

H. B. Jennings, Col.	$40,776 58

ITEM 35

COLLECTION OF TAXES

Balance	$ 11 31	
Appropriation	475 00	
		$486 31
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.		$494 23
Overdraft		$7 92

ITEM 36

SUPPLEMENTAL TAXES

Assessed	$51 00
Transfer to Interest and Discounts	51 00

ITEM 37

1949 EXCISE TAX

Balance February 15, 1949	$1,115 14	
H. B. Jennings, Col.	3,228 96	
		$4,344 10
Expended		
H. B. Jennings, Col.	$ 114 75	
D. L. Garrison, supplies	7 50	
Treas. of State, Lisherness Bridge Bal.	43 78	
L. R. Lewis, Valley Road Loan	1,000 00	
		$1,166 03
		$3,178 07

Applied on 1949 Taxes	$1,000 00	
Expended on Third Class No. 1—W. Freeman Rd.	1,624 52	
		$2,624 52
		$553 55
Transfer to Roads and Bridges		30
Balance		$553 25

ITEM 38

1950 EXCISE TAX

H. B. Jennings — Collected to date		$1,316 98

ITEM 39

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Assessed		$6,440 28
Expended		
State of Maine	$4,679 43	
County of Franklin	1,760 85	
		$6,440 28

ITEM 40

ABATEMENTS

Balance	$ 36 21	
Appropriation	100 00	
		$136 21
Expended		35 85
Balance		$100 36

ITEM 41

OVERLAY

Assessed		$270 80
Expended		
Treas. of State, Lisherness Bridge Bal.	$ 61 75	
F. H. McCleary, Right of Way and gravel	125 00	

A. G. Eustis Est., Supplies So. Strong Road	$16 40	
W. W. Small Co., Supplies So. Strong Rd.	1 60	
F. A. Richardson, Labor So. Strong Rd.	6 55	
Col. Internal Revenue	20	
		$211 50
		$59 30
Transfer to Truck and Plow	$41 30	
Transfer to Interest and Discounts	18 00	
		$59 30

ITEM 42
TOWN DUMP

Appropriation		$75 00
Expended		
F. A. Richardson, labor	$12 00	
I. M. Richardson, labor	3 00	
E. A. Richardson, labor	3 00	
D. E. Peary, supplies	40	
J. E. Winslow, supplies	95	
Starbird Lumber Co., supplies and bulldozer	36 85	
		$56 20
Balance		$18 80

ITEM 43
SCHOOL — GYMNASIUM

Appropriation	$2,000 00
Expended	
H. B. Daggett, Treas. Town of Strong School Dist.	$2,000 00

ITEM 44
SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation		$200 00
Expended		
Dr. L. D. Moody		$200 00

ITEM 45
INSURANCE

Appropriation		$750 00
Expended		
Currier Ins. Agency — Forster Bldg.	$756 09	
Eustis Ins. Agency — School Property	269 60	
Currier Ins. Agency — School Property	454 95	
		$1,480 64
		$730 64
Transfer from Forster Bldg. Acct. Ins. Premium		300 00
		$430 64

INSURANCE IN FORCE

Forster Building

Agency	Expiration Date	Amount
Currier Ins. Agency, 2 policies	Oct. 30, 1952	$21,000 00
Currier Ins. Agency, 3 policies	Nov. 11, 1952	17,000 00
		$38,000 00

School Building or Contents

Currier Ins. Agency	Feb. 22, 1950	$ 2,500 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Oct. 29, 1951	2,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Jan. 28, 1952	10,000 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Nov. 23, 1952	8,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Nov. 25, 1952	8,000 00
Currier Ins. Agency	Feb. 1, 1953	5,500 00
		$36,000 00

Fire Station or Contents

Agency	Expiration Date	Amount
Eustis Ins. Agency	Mar. 20, 1950	$1,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Mar. 17, 1951	1,600 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Sept. 9, 1951	1,000 00
Eustis Ins. Agency	Nov. 13, 1951	1,000 00
		$4,600 00

Hitchcock House

Currier Ins. Agency	Jan. 26, 1953	$2,000 00

Health and Welfare

ITEM 46
STATE POOR
No expenditures

ITEM 47
TOWN POOR

Balance February 15, 1949	$476 12	
Appropriation	100 00	
State of Maine — Bertram Chaplin Acct.	121 00	
		$697 12

ITEM 48
OTHER TOWN'S POOR
Carl White

Expended	
Franklin Memorial Hospital	$60 25
Received	
Town of Eustis	$60 25

ITEM 49
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Balance February 15, 1949	$154 28	
Appropriation	300 00	
		$454 28
Expended		88 35
Balance		$365 93

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. RICHARDSON,
A. J. CHANDLER,
C. E. MITCHELL,

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor.

ITEM 50

Treasurer's Report

FEB. 15 1949 — FEB. 15, 1950

Cash on hand February 15, 1949	$5,071 74
Received from State Treasurer	
Bank Stock Tax	10 79
R. R. and Tel. Tax	15 18
School Fund	5,418 36
Tuition — Freeman	1,510 50
Library Stipend	10 00
Dog License Refund	21 28
Bear Bounty	60 00
State Poor	121 00
Highway Accounts	
State Highway Snow	1,127 67
Unimproved Roads	993 98
Third Class Reconstruction	500 00
Received from	
Tuition — Avon	67 50
Stanley and Cadigan Co., Refund Winter Roads	14 95
Tax Interest	86 92
Victualer's Licenses	2 00
Town of Strong — Transfer 3rd Class Reconstruction	6 74
Davis Lodge — Tree Removal	32 50
John Allen — Tree Removal	32 50
Morrison Insurance Agency	1 95
Other Town's Poor	60 25
Fire Department — Mdse. and Service	39 43
Rent — Hitchcock House	129 00
Ministerial and School Fund	25 00

Dividends on Forster Building	$ 2,411 87
Rent — Forster Building	151 75
Cemetery Trust Funds	250 00
Cemetery Lots	120 00
John Skillings — Dishes	5 00
Temporary Loans	16,000 00
1947 Tax Liens	143 16
1948 Tax Liens	271 17
Costs	18 49
1948 Taxes	373 23
1949 Excise Tax	3,228 96
1949 Tax	40,776 58
1950 Excise Tax	1,316 98
Town of Strong — Truck and Plow Earnings	2,083 15
1948 Abatements	20 85
1949 Abatements	15 00
	$82,545 43

Orders Paid	$70,705 36
State Tax	4,679 43
County Tax	1,760 85
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1950	5,399 79
	$82,545 43

Respectfully submitted,

HERVEY B. JENNINGS,

Treasurer.

ITEM 51

Town of Strong Trust Funds

YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1949

	10-1-48 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-49 Expended	Balance
E. K. Hitchcock				
A|C Methodist Church	$100 00	$2 01	$2 01	$100 00
A|C Congo. Church	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS				
E. K. Hitchcock	$103 00	$ 2 07	$3 07	$102 00
Town of Strong	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Julia H. May	146 00	2 93	3 93	145 00
Florence Ranger	103 00	2 07	3 07	102 00
George Hitchcock	865 00	17 38	7 38	875 00
Hunter & Blethen	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Daggett Brothers	300 00	6 03	4 03	302 00
Charles A. Goldsmith	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Anna Bates Hunter	101 00	2 03	3 03	100 00
Frederick E. Hardy	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Thayas F. Will	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Dora A. Page	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lucy M. Sweet	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Fred A. Page	50 00	1 00	1 00	50 00
Samuel Philbrick	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
George H. Allen	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lemuel & Thurza Crosby	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
William I. Smith	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Isabelle N. Toothaker	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Emma & Flora Dodge	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lizzie A. Waite	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Gilman Trust Fund	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00

	10-1-48 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-49 Expended	Balance
George Daggett	$100 00	$2 01	$2 01	$100 00
George M. D. Will	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Vining & Cates	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Nellie F. Dyer	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Rena B. Johnson	300 00	6 03	4 03	302 00
Ellen E. Spaulding	130 00	2 61	2 61	130 00
Harry G. & Ella M. Vining	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Walker Fund	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Gilman & Mitchell	150 00	3 01	2 01	151 00
Loring Hunter	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
H. O. Lisherness Est.	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Maude B. Hillier	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Lincoln A. and Viola C. Worthley	150 00	3 01	3 01	150 00
Edmond A. Goodwin	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Silas Goodwin and Elsie Welch	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
U. G. and C. B. Weymouth	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Jeremiah Porter	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Etta and Clarence Nutting	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Alexander P. and Emily Gould Porter	201 00	4 04	4 04	201 00
Mark and Delma Gray	101 00	2 03	2 03	101 00
Elias H. Porter	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Charles M. Dickey	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
M. A. Will	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Elmer Gray	75 00	1 50	1 50	75 00
Flora Smith	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
Estelle A. Bell	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
David Richardson	200 00	4 02	3 02	201 00
James F. Worthley	200 00	4 02	3 02	201 00
Ambrose Allen	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
John W. Richards	100 00	2 01	2 01	100 00
John Soule	200 00	4 02	3 02	201 00

	10-1-48 Balance	Interest Added	10-1-49 Expended	Balance
Winslow-Crandall	$200 00	$4 02	$1 02	$203 00
1-31-49 W. W. Mitchell	200 00	2 67	2 67	200 00
8-1-49 Walter and Louise Jones	150 00	50	50	150 00
8-1-49 Frank D. Gilman	100 00	33	33	100 00
Total of the Trust Funds			$7,792 00	

Respectfully submitted,

TOWN OF STRONG TRUST FUNDS
By the Trustees

ERWIN E. TOOTHAKER
F. A. RICHARDSON
HERVEY B. JENNINGS
RAYMOND D. NORRIS
RALPH E. EUSTIS

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Sec. and Treas.

MINISTERIAL AND SCHOOL FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$233 39		$233 39
2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00	2 — $1,000.00 U. S. Savings Bonds — Series G	$2,000 00

BABBIT TRUST FUND

Debits		Credits	
Cash	$100 00		$100 00

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Treasurer.

ITEM 52

Report of Tax Collector

FEB. 15, 1950

Commitment		$43,152 29
1949 Excise Tax Applied		1,000 00
		$42,152 29
Supplementary Tax		54 00
		$42,206 29
Adjustment, extra money, etc.		31
		$42,206 60
Paid Treasurer	$40,776 58	
Refund Adjustment	3 00	
	$40,773 58	
Abatements	15 00	
Uncollected 1949 Tax	1,418 02	
	$42,206 60	

UNCOLLECTED RESIDENTS

Allen, Charles L.	$133 32
Allen, Nora	18 36
Cook, Seaton	21 64
Clinch, Raymond	39 08
Doble, Leonard	72 38
Harmon, Frank E.	4 08
Knowlan, John L.	22 80
Ladd, Philip	93 96
Ladd, Floyd	39 60
Morrill, Frederick	82 92
Plummer, Robert S.	85 80
Pinkham, Raymond	64 92
Pillsbury, Paul	71 04
Pillsbury, Oscar	189 00

Spaulding, Roy Est.	$ 69 84
Snell, Charlie & Jean	42 64
Smith, Earle	134 28
Smith, Raymond	16 32
Sweetsir, Donn	17 40
White, Alvah	7 72
White, Forest	4 80

NON-RESIDENTS

Frend, Madeline	$108 00
Le Cours, Aime	9 00
Millett, Erlon	3 96
Smith, Lawrence	33 48
Atwood, Richard	31 68

RESIDENT — UNCOLLECTED 1948

Sweetsir, Donn	$18 90
White, Forest	6 40

RESIDENT — UNCOLLECTED 1947

Sweetsir, Donn	$40 71

1949 ABATEMENTS

Barker, Leroy	$3 00	
Brackley, Glenn	3 00	
Curtis, Lawrence	3 00	
Flagg, Burchard	3 00	
Snell Archie	3 00	
		$15 00

1948 ABATEMENTS

Bailey, Clyde	$ 3 70	
Sheltry, Maynard	14 20	
Fogg, Elmer	2 95	
		$20 85

Respectfully submitted,

HERVEY B. JENNINGS, Tax Collector.

Strong School Department

ITEM 53

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Strong:

I hereby submit the annual report and financial statement of the Strong public schools. The interest of the School Committee, teachers, and citizens in the welfare of the pupils and their cooperation in maintaining the school program is greatly appreciated. It is also satisfying to note that there is a widespread understanding of the vital need for improvement in the school plant and curriculum to the point that definite action is indicated at this year's annual town meeting when citizens will have the chance to determine the kind of educational opportunity that will be offered to your young people.

SCHOOL BUILDING

The present building has, beyond doubt, served its usefulness. It is distinctly a fire hazard, lacks sufficient classroom space for the elementary grades, and allows for no curriculum expansion into fields of occupational training in the high school. The boys and girls of Strong deserve a new, modern, well-equipped plant capable of offering an adequate program in both elementary and secondary fields. Should the present building be continued in use beyond this school year, the State Insurance Department is requiring addition of another metal fire escape from the third floor and construction of a fire-proof room around the heating plant, all of which will probably cost over $3,000. Money spent on the old building is actually expended to no lasting purpose. The only logical solution is a new plant ready for occupancy, if possible, by next September.

PERSONNEL

The town is fortunate in having a capable, efficient teaching staff. At the beginning of the school year Robert Payden replaced Calvin Roberts as teacher of Social Studies in the High School. Gwendolyn Stearns succeeded John Sample as Principal of the Grammar School and teacher of Grades 7-8, and Roxie Davenport Pratt was secured to teach Grades 5-6. These new teachers have had wide experience and are doing excellent work in our school system. Lewis Brackley continues as janitor and again is contributing much beyond the line of duty.

CURRICULUM

Our Elementary teachers are carrying out a satisfactory grade program in spite of lack of classroom space. Books and teaching materials are fairly adequate for basic subjects and all teachers are alert to the introduction of special projects and activities which enrich the program. More reference works and library books on different grade levels would be a welcome addition.

The High School is maintaining a satisfactory program in the College and General Courses, but in the modern high school this offering is far too narrow and meets the abilities, needs, and interests of but a few. An adequate program should extend the present offering by addition of at least two occupational courses, as, for instance, Commercial, and either Industrial Arts, Home Economics or both. Such courses of necessity add to the maintenance cost but are worth it, and it is likely that, with these courses, a sufficient number of tuition pupils would be enrolled to defray half or more of the added expense.

SCHOOL LUNCH

One of the most meritorious projects to help our pupils is the continuance of the School Lunch program, which, with the surplus commodities available, has become practically self-supporting. The Farm Bureau and those members who carry on the actual work deserve much praise.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD D. CUSHING,

Superintendent of Schools.

ITEM 54

Financial Statement

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 3, 1950

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

RESOURCES

Unexpended Balance (1948-1849)		$ 332 22	
Appropriation		16,600 00	
Interest		25 00	
Tuition:			
State	$1,510 50		
Avon	67 50		
		1,578 00	
Conveyance Refund		1 95	
State School Fund:			
High School Tuition	$ 49 07		
Teaching Positions	4,386 14		
Professional Credits	200 00		
School Enrollment	606 75		
Closed Schools	176 40		
		5,418 36	
			$23,955 53

EXPENDITURES

Teachers, H. S.	$ 7,029 40	
Teachers, Elem.	10,330 30	
Fuel	1,013 60	
Janitor and Janitor Supplies	1,605 86	
Conveyance	2,214 98	
Textbooks	696 35	
Supplies	893 04	
		$23,783 53
Unexpended Balance		$ 172 00

REPAIRS

Unexpended balance (1948-1949)	$ 6 24	
Appropriation	1,000 00	
Total resources		$1,006 24
Expended		385 78
Unexpended balance		$ 620 46

SCHOOL LUNCH

Unexpended balance (1948-1949)	$ 132 00
Expended	79 37
Unexpended balance	$ 52 63

DETAILED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Teachers, High School

Robert L. Harlow	$2,963 10	
Robert H. Payden	1,024 98	
Vincenta Cannariato	1,890 26	
Calvin N. Roberts	1,069 56	
Lewis Brackley	18 00	
Calvin N. Roberts (Prof. Cr. and Reimbursem't)	63 50	
		$7,029 40

Teachers, Elementary

Gwendolyn Stearns	$ 975 04
John P. Sample	991 32
Roxie D. Pratt	800 03
Myrtle Oliver	1,736 96
Marion Peary	1,582 67
Dorothy Scamman	1,582 67
Helen Heald	1,349 44
Christie V. Pingree	789 64
Vera Wing (Sec'y to Supt.)	290 03
Dorothy Scamman (Prof. Cr. and Reimbursements)	81 50

Myrtle Oliver (Prof. Cr. and Reimbursements)	$74 00	
Marion Peary (Prof. Cr. and Reimbursem't)	63 50	
Helen Heald (Reimbursem't)	13 50	
		$10,330 30

Fuel

W. Fred Koch		$1,013 60

Janitor and Janitor's Supplies

Lewis Brackley	$1,434 17	
Mrs. Colon Dyar	41 00	
Ronald L. Dyar	41 00	
Helen Merchant	41 00	
J. L. Hammett Company	17 73	
West Disinfecting Co.	14 45	
M. F. Bragdon Paint Company	13 77	
Allan H. Murray	1 84	
First National Store	90	
		$1,605 86

Conveyance

Erwin Toothaker	$339 00	
Ross Richards	540 00	
Robert Elliott	600 00	
Charles Mallory	456 00	
Allen Baston	122 00	
J. Blaine Morrison Agency	97 98	
		$2,214 98

Textbooks

The Macmillan Company	$117 46	
Laidlaw Brothers	102 46	
Ginn and Company	94 78	
Webster Publishing Co.	80 82	
Allyn and Bacon	70 71	
Encyclopaedia Britannica, Inc.	66 95	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	62 36	

Row, Peterson & Co.	$21 73	
American Book Co.	14 47	
Educators Progress Service	4 50	
D. C. Heath Company	25 34	
Lyons & Carnahan	12 32	
Follett Publishing Company	7 96	
World Book Company	1 31	
Cascade Paper Co.	7 18	
The H. W. Wilson Company	5 00	
G. E. Holt	1 00	
		$696 35

Supplies

Maine Consolidated Power Co.	$232 52	
Franklin Farmers Co-Op. Tel. Co.	34 14	
Loring, Short & Harmon	103 19	
J. L. Hammett Company	94 72	
Strong Water District	22 50	
Edward E. Babb Company	43 18	
Master Products Company	21 60	
E. C. McGraw	9 20	
Howard and Brown	7 60	
Richard Hoover	7 00	
Audio-Visual Service, U of M	14 88	
Mainco Trading Company	68 21	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	118 58	
L. R. Lewis	7 80	
Phillips Print Shop	31 00	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	13 68	
World Book Company	17 40	
Huston-Tuttle Book Company	8 55	
Webster Publishing Company	1 35	
School Dept., Town of Phillips	27 07	
Berry Paper Company	2 95	
Midtown Variety Store	2 67	
Treasurer, State of Maine	2 00	
Cambosco Scientific Company	1 25	
		$893 04

Repairs

Jim's Electrical Shop	$131 21	
Loring, Short & Harmon	69 06	
Beckley-Cardy Company	66 70	
Herbert L. Morey	11 65	
J. L. Hammett Company	26 61	
A. G. Eustis Estate	28 51	
C. B. Moody	4 75	
D. K. Hammett, Inc.	12 40	
West Disinfecting Company	6 27	
M. F. Bragdon Paint Company	2 60	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	9 01	
Earle Brackley	4 05	
Leonard Hutchins	3 38	
Frank Spencer	3 38	
Clyde Chandler	1 20	
Town of Strong	5 00	
		$385 78

School Lunch

First National Stores	$79 37

Forestry Laws and Regulations

Slash and Brush Disposal. The responsibility for slash or brush disposal rests entirely on whoever "cuts, causes or permits to cut" forest growth. Such slash or brush must be moved back 50 feet from the shoulder or pavement of any public highway or road and 25 feet from utility right of ways. On complaint, if a real fire hazard exists, slash and brush must be removed 25 feet from forest growth of an adjoining landowner and 100 feet from dwellings.

All slash and brush shall be removed the required distance within 30 days after cutting, or 30 days after being notified to remove it. A violator of this section is liable to a fine of $100 or 30 days imprisonment, or both. He is liable to the same fine and imprisonment every 30 days following his violation until the slash and brush is cleared back the required distance.

Another section of the same act requires that slash and brush resulting from the construction and maintenance of highways and utility right of ways shall be removed from these areas by burning or hauling away. Burning must comply with that section of the law covering burning permits which follows:

Burning Permits. It is unlawful for any person to kindle a fire for purposes of clearing land or burning logs or stumps, roots, brush, slash, fields of dry grass, pasture, and blueberry land except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written permit. *Permits are issued by the town forest fire wardens.* A permit is necessary for any person to burn, even on his own land. A burning permit *does not* relieve the person of legal responsibility if the fire is allowed to escape or causes damage to property of another.

Town or private Dumps. Any dump established and maintained for disposal of rubbish or debris of any nature which might help start or spread a forest fire shall observe the following prevention measures: A cleared strip 10 feet wide to mineral soil on all sides of the dump; a 100 foot strip outside this mineral soil area where inflammable material such as grass, weeds, brush and slash must be removed. Dead trees and limbs of evergreen trees up to a height of 10 feet from the ground shall also be removed from this 100 foot strip. Dumps with a large, constant, supply of water nearby may be exempted from these provisions by the town and state forest fire wardens if they believe the water supply is sufficient for protection purposes.

Road Commissioner's Report

ITEM 55

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation	$3,000 00	
Stanley and Cadigan	14 95	
State of Maine	1,127 67	
		$4,142 62
Expended		
Earle M. Brackley, Commissioner	$146 91	
Leonard Hutchins, labor	951 47	
Frank Spencer, labor	444 13	
Basil Melvin, labor	311 63	
Coe A. Toothaker, labor	206 22	
Russell Stevens, labor	100 40	
Glenn Brackley, labor	61 33	
Herbert Durrell, labor	5 68	
Merlon Kingsley, labor	3 00	
H. R. Welch, labor	2 50	
Joseph Essency, welding	10 00	
Farmington Welding Co., welding	103 70	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	8 13	
W. McLeary Est., supplies	1 39	
C. H. Brackley, supplies	7 83	
Stanley and Cadigan, supplies	30 94	
E. L. Richards, supplies	2 89	
North Eastern Pet. Co., supplies	59 29	
Forster Mfg. Co. Inc., supplies and truck	25 55	
Farmers Tel. Co., service	75	
Linscott Inc., posts	12 61	
Clarence Crosby, sand	25 00	
State of Maine, fuel tax	12 60	
State of Maine, salt	82 16	
Currier Ins. Agency	58 15	

Edgar Walker, rent	$ 25 00	
Percy Cook, loader	27 00	
Everett Mitchell, truck	47 25	
Town of Strong, truck	1,224 09	
Lester Stevens, truck	27 00	
Col. Internal Revenue	14 85	
		$4,039 45
Balance		$ 103 17

ITEM 56

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		$3,000 00
Expended		
E. M. Brackley, Commissioner	$520 20	
Glenn Brackley, labor	297 94	
Leonard Hutchins, labor	154 12	
Basil Melvin, labor	122 63	
Oscar Pillsbury, labor	67 50	
Paul Pillsbury, labor	44 25	
John Gordon, Jr., labor	41 28	
Clinton Knowlan, labor	34 88	
Leonard Doble, labor	33 00	
Fred Raymond, labor	24 52	
Verne Scribner, labor	15 00	
Gordon Fellis, labor	16 80	
Frank Spencer, labor	13 50	
Merlon Kingsley, labor	5 10	
Coe Toothaker, Jr., labor	3 37	
E. M. Brackley, explosives	7 05	
Donald Beedy, gravel	1 50	
Clyde Chandler, gravel	15 70	
Roy McCourt, gravel	18 00	
R. A. Starbird, gravel, lumber, supplies	228 22	
A. G. Eustis Est., supplies	6 37	
Arlie Welch, team	45 00	

John Allen, truck	$ 41 00	
Town of Strong, truck	607 50	
George James, truck	51 25	
Robert Worthley, tractor	31 50	
Forster Mfg. Co. Inc., grader	39 00	
C. H. Brackley, bulldozer	120 00	
Treas. of State, tar for Vine St.	200 00	
Col. of Internal Revenue	55 50	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	138 62	
		$3,000 30
Overdraft		30
Transfer from excise tax		30

INVENTORY

1 usable grader — 1 road drag — 5 round point shovels — 2 square point shovels — 2 snow shovels — 1 catch basin shovel — 2 bush snipers — 2 bush scythes and snaths — 2 pairs rubber boots — 2 sod forks — 2 picks or grub hoes.

Respectfully submitted,

EARLE M. BRACKLEY, *Commissioner.*

STRONG, formerly called Readstown, was first settled by white families in 1784. It was incorporated as a town on January 31, 1801, and was named for Governor Strong of Massachusetts.

It looks back with pride upon a record of consistent progress made by generations of independent, self reliant citizens.

It points with pride to its industrial development and agricultural resources, for stemming from these are activities which promote a well-rounded community life.

It points to its present favorable economic condition as an indication that its people do not feel that government should spend beyond its means, or for any services not essential to the public welfare.

It looks forward to 1951 and the observance of its Sesquicentennial, confident that from this historic occasion will develop a new spirit of progress and achievement.

ITEM 57

Report of Librarian

Strong Public Library

RECEPITS

February 1, 1949,	Brought forward	$ 18 07	
	Town of Strong by H. B. Jennings	150 00	
	State Stipend by H. B. Jennings	10 00	
	Gift from Mary Davis	50 00	
	Fines	34 88	
	Association Dues	20 00	
	Sale of books, Fair, Penny Bags, etc	95 59	
			$378 54

DISBURSEMENTS

1949	Books, magazines, supplies	$324 38	
			$324 38
February 1, 1950,	Balance on hand		$ 54 16
Total Circulation		5023	

LILA TAINTER, *Librarian.*

ITEM 58

REPORT OF AUDIT

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

WE HEREBY CERTIFY, That we have examined the accounts of your Treasurer, Collector and Selectmen for the fiscal year ended February 15, 1950, and find all funds properly accounted for and all expenditures supported by proper authorization. In our opinion, the appended statements fairly present, in accordance with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting consistently maintained, the financial position of the Town of Strong as at February 15, 1950.

MILLETT, FISH & DRESSER
By R. M. Millett, C. P. A.

TOWN OF STRONG
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

	February 15, 1949		February 15, 1950	
~~Tractor and Plow~~ —				
Cash		$5,071 74		$5,399 79
Uncollected taxes:				
Current year	$829 30		$1,418 02	
Prior years	43 66	872 96	66 01	1,484 03
Tax Deeds		33 25		33 25
Tax Liens		369 88		376 17
Deferred Appropriations:				
Tractor and Plow —				
Special	3,342 35		1,342 35	
Bridge Account	3,300 00		3,300 00	

	February 15, 1949		February 15, 1950	
Valley Road	$2,000 00		$ 1,000 00	
Lisherness Bridge	4,961 00		4,961 00	
State Aid Road Construction		$13,603 35	10,567 71	$21,171 06
Overdrafts:				
Winter Roads	109 61			
Roads and Bridges	43 60			
Collection of Taxes			7 92	
Insurance			430 64	
Interest			30 76	
Roads and Bridges — Special		153 21	952 91	1,422 23
		$20,104 39		$29,886 53

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable		$13,607 32		$21,175 03
Deferred Credits:				
Excise Taxes		1,115 14		1,870 23
Unexpended Appropriations:				
Town Officers			$ 11 75	
Town Charges	$130 11		49 84	
Collection of Taxes	11 31			
Abatements	36 21		100 36	
Forster Building			113 61	
Fire Department	182 61		349 63	
Street Lights	1 75			
Hydrants	9 60		9 60	
Care of Dump			18 80	
Winter Roads			103 17	
Sidewalks	400 32		420 36	
Third Class Roads	31 50			
Town Poor	476 12		697 12	
Aid to Dependent Children	154 28		365 93	
Schools	332 22		172 00	
Schoolhouse Repairs	6 24		620 46	

	February 15, 1949		February 15, 1950	
Supt. of Schools			$ 28 02	
School Lunch	132 00		52 63	
Memorial Day	30 00		5 00	
Hitchcock House	186 21		222 86	
Cemeteries	157 72		159 77	
Interest and Discounts	128 78	$2,406 98		$3,500 91
		$17,129 44		$26,546 17
General Fund Surplus		2,974 95		3,340 36
		$20,104 39		$29,886 53

TRUST FUNDS

Invested in Savings Accounts:		
Cemetery Accounts	$7,325 00	$7,592 00
Church — Hitchcock	200 00	200 00
Church — Babbett	100 00	100 00
Ministerial and School Fund	228 61	233 39
	$7,853 61	$8,125 39
U. S. Treasury Bonds:		
Ministerial and School Fund	2,000 00	2,000 00
	$9,853 61	$10,125 39
Trust Fund Principal	$9,853 61	$10,125 39

ITEM 59

Report of Chief of Strong Fire Department

FEBRUARY 6, 1949 TO FEBRUARY 6, 1950

The Department has responded to seventeen calls.

11 Chimney Fires
6 General Alarms

One of the general alarm calls was for a grass fire, and one was an out of town call.

The Department held 12 regular meetings and had several practice sessions during the summer months.

Respectfully submitted,

G. E. MARDEN, *Fire Chief.*

ITEM 60

Town Clerk's Report

DEATHS — STRONG, FREEMAN AND SALEM

1949

April 20 — At Washington, Maine, Hilda E. Haines, aged 47 years.
May 3 — At Farmington, Maine, Nellie Partridge Brackley, aged 74 years.
May 15 — At Strong, Elexina Martin Rounds, aged 77 years.
May 22 — At Providence, Rhode Island, Arthur W. McLeary, aged 79 years.
June 7 — At Portland, Maine, Elizabeth Janett Gilman, aged 81 yrs.
June 11 — At Auburn, Maine, Augusta May Briggs, aged 57 years.
June 18 — At Skowhegan, Maine, Frank Edward Vaughan, aged 75 years.
June 26 — At Auburn, Maine, Mary Bates Record, aged 78 years.
July 6 — At Portland, Maine, Frank Elliott Hitchcock, aged 73 yrs.
July 8 — At Farmington, Maine, Hattie Hunter McLeary, aged 78 years.
July 9 — At Strong, Maine, Frank Eugene Harmon, aged 54 years.
Oct. 1 — At Strong, Maine, Cora Alberta Johnson, aged 77 years.
Oct. 9 — At Strong, Maine, Lawrence Winfield Bates, aged 2 yrs.
Oct. 10 — At San Fernando, California, Elwin Marshall Huff, aged 47 years.
Nov. 4 — At Augusta, Maine, Kate D. Will, aged 79 years.
Nov. 12 — At Farmington, Maine, Emma May Blackwell, aged 83 yrs.
Dec. 9 — At Kingfield, Maine, Ida May Record, aged 93 years.

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Jan. 9 — At Strong, Maine, Helen Francis Chick, aged 70 years.
Jan. 10 — At Strong, Maine, Joseph Alonzo Foster, aged 53 years.

R. D. NORRIS,

Town Clerk of Strong.

ITEM 61

Report of Health Officer

FEBRUARY 15, 1950

Citizens of Strong

GREETING:

During year past matters pertaining to public health in our community have been cared for in routine manner whenever same have been brought to my attention.

We have had no epidemic of acute contagious disease other than that of measles. This occurred recently, and thus far thirty-one cases have been reported. This is not surprising when we realize that during 1949, measles reported in Maine, were the highest ever recorded, over ten thousand.

An adequate sewerage disposal system is one of our Town's greater needs. It is my earnest hope that measures will soon be instituted leading to establishment of same.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D.O.

Health Officer.

ITEM 62

Report of School Physician

FEBRUARY 15, 1950

Citizens of Strong

GREETING:

Previous to close of school last spring I examined 208 students and recorded findings regarding eyes, ears, teeth and throats. Recommendation slips were sent to parents, calling their attention to care where ever needed.

At the beginning of fall term re-check was made and seven point certificates were awarded sixty students. This was a substantial increase over any year previous.

On April 5th, and 7th, and May 8th and 11th, 1949 one hundred seventy-seven injections were administered to 59 students.

This being the accepted procedure in conferring immunity against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetnas.

I would like to call parents attention to the records of examinations, re-checks, and immunization of all school children. These are always available, and invite your inspection at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

L. DENIS MOODY, D.O.

School Physician.

ITEM 63

Report of Treasurer of Town of Strong School District

Balance — February 15, 1949		$25,784 15
Interest accrued to October 1, 1949		510 22
Town of Strong — Appropriation		2,000 00
Treasurer's Bond required by law	$50 00	
		$28,294 37
		50 00
Balance on hand Feb. 15, 1950		$28,244 37

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. DAGGETT, *Treasurer*

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